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Four-year-old Owen Miller delights in catching a water balloon from his sister Sadie at the annual Carrying Lake Fun Day on Aug. 1. See page 37 for story.

## Barry Devolin trading parliament for Korea

By Mark Arikie  
Staff writer

From an early age, local MP Barry Devolin has been passionate about politics.

"I've always been interested in it," said Devolin in an interview with *The Highlander*. "When I was in elementary and high school, I was always on the students' council."

Back then, one of his claims to fame was being the student council president for two

years at Haliburton Highlands Secondary School.

"I think I'm the only person that actually did it for two years," he said.

For the past 11 years, Devolin has won the bat of MP for the Haliburton-Kawartha Lakes-Brock riding. In all four federal elections he has handily defeated his opponents, receiving anywhere between 44-50 per cent of all votes.

However, after serving the vast geographic region for four terms, the Conservative Party

representative has decided to retire from politics and start the next chapter of his life. He first announced his decision not to seek re-election in November of 2013.

"I still like my job, but I don't have the enthusiasm I had 10 years ago," he said.

One of the big challenges of the job is trying to cover such a large riding. Since it's humanly impossible to make it to all of the events and meetings, Devolin has no choice but to pick and choose.

"When an MP from the city asks how big my riding is, I say it's 13 Santa Claus parades and 16 legions big," he laughed.

Devolin was born in Peterborough but came to Haliburton at the age of five when his father, Doug Devolin, took a job as principal of the old Victoria Street School. Doug also eventually became the first principal of J.D. Hodgson Elementary School.

At the age of 16, he became a Rotary Exchange student and moved to the

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## Travellers change plans due to diving loonie

### All-inclusive trips best way to travel with the low dollar: agent

By Mark Arkoft  
Staff writer

The Canadian dollar has been sinking like the Titanic.

As of Aug. 4, the loonie dropped to 76 cents U.S. and analysts predict that it will go even lower than that.

Is that having an impact on the choices that local and seasonal residents are making when it comes to travel and spending their money?

"People have changed their mind as to where they're going," said Linda

Coneybear, branch manager of TravelPlus in Haliburton.

Travellers who would otherwise consider going to the U.S. are switching plans to pack their bags for an all-inclusive island resort instead.

"The cost of the U.S. dollar really isn't impacting one who is choosing to do an all-inclusive into the Caribbean or Mexico," said Coneybear, adding that the only issue with travelling to these destinations is that the American dollar is used as the local currency.

One of the positives is that these trips are paid for in Canadian dollars, based on

prices that were set months ago.

Meanwhile in Cuba, the currency is Cuban pesos, which converts to Canadian dollars.

"They won't accept U.S. dollars," she said.

Other alternatives being offered by the local travel agency include river cruises in Europe. Reservations are currently being accepted for next year in Canadian dollars at 2015 prices.

"That's a way to save with the U.S. dollar," she said. "Everything is all-inclusive and you pay in Euros for local currency, which isn't as bad."

Carol Patrick, branch manager at TD Canada Trust in Minden, said there have been "some rumblings" about the cost of the U.S. dollar; however, customers haven't mentioned anything about not leaving the country, especially those who spend an extended period of time down south.

"The only thing we have suggested to customers is that they don't buy the U.S. all at one time, that they buy a little bit at a time to make it a little bit less painful when it comes to the exchange," she said.

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## MP Devolin ready for change

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Netherlands for a year. It was an eye-opening experience for the future politician.

"Whenever I go to a Rotary meeting I thank them, because I think they really opened up my eyes to the world," he said.

When Devolin returned to Canada, he pursued a degree in political science at Carleton University. Then he obtained a master's degree at Stony Brook University in New York.

During the summers, he continued to spend time in Haliburton.

"I've been kind of coming in and out of Haliburton ever since," he said.

He initially wanted to become a diplomat, but instead embarked on a career in federal politics. When he first set his sights on the Conservative nomination in 2004, there were five other candidates in the field including his current executive assistant James Schmale.

Of those seeking the nomination, he wasn't the favourite.

Asked what gave him the edge over the other candidates, Devolin said he had "a clear connection to the riding."

In his past, he was involved with both the now defunct Reform Party of Canada and the Progressive Conservative Party of Canada. In 1993, he ran as the Reform Party's candidate but lost to John O'Reilly of the Liberals. After the loss, he worked for the Reform Party under Preston Manning as their director of research in Ottawa and then became chief of staff for Chris Hodgson at Queen's Park. He was a special advisor to Mike Harris during his term as the premier of Ontario.

When Devolin was victorious in 2004, the Progressive Conservatives were the opposition party. Since then, he's seen a Liberal minority government, Conservative minority and most recently a Conservative majority.

"I kind of feel like I've been to the top of the mountain, so to speak."

In looking back at his career, there are a few highlights that stand out in his mind. One of those is being a member of the Conservative caucus.

"That's where you can talk, that's where you can complain, that's where you can make suggestions if you disagree with something you've heard," he said, pointing out he has been a member of regional groups in both eastern and northern Ontario.

"It allows you to convey what you're hearing in your riding."

And for the past five years, one of the things his colleagues have been hearing a lot about is the Trent-Severn Waterway. He and four other MPs spent a considerable amount of time educating others about the system and its value to central Ontario.

"It's taken many of us five years, working behind the scenes, to convince

people how important it is and what it means."

He believes those efforts have paid off in the form of a recent \$265 million infrastructure investment from the federal government.

When first elected, Devolin said he vowed to provide constituents good service. He says he delivered on that promise by launching spring passport clinics in January of 2005.

In the beginning, he didn't know if it was something that would take off or not.

"It was freezing rain, it was at the mall," he said, recalling the very first clinic held in Lindsay. "We didn't know if anybody would come. When I got there people were lined up from one side of the mall to the other."

Now he says that somewhere between 50 and 70 other MPs are offering the same service.

While routine passport renewals can easily be processed without attending a clinic, Devolin says they are perfect for those dealing with complicated circumstances, such as name changes and lost IDs.

"Locally, that's something that I'm proud of."

For two years, he chaired the standing committee on aboriginal affairs and the northern development committee. One of the other roles he took on was assistant deputy speaker during the last two parliaments.

"I guess the disappointment is that I didn't become speaker," said Devolin, who ran twice for the position.

Earlier this year, Schmale sought the Conservative nomination and was acclaimed as the candidate.

For six months, Devolin is going to travel the world with his wife, Ursula, and kids George, 12, and Molly, 10. He has accepted a job teaching political science at Sejong University in Seoul. The full-time position starts in March.

"Korea was always an option because we lived there before," he said, adding that one of his friends informed him that the universities in Korea were creating English language programming.

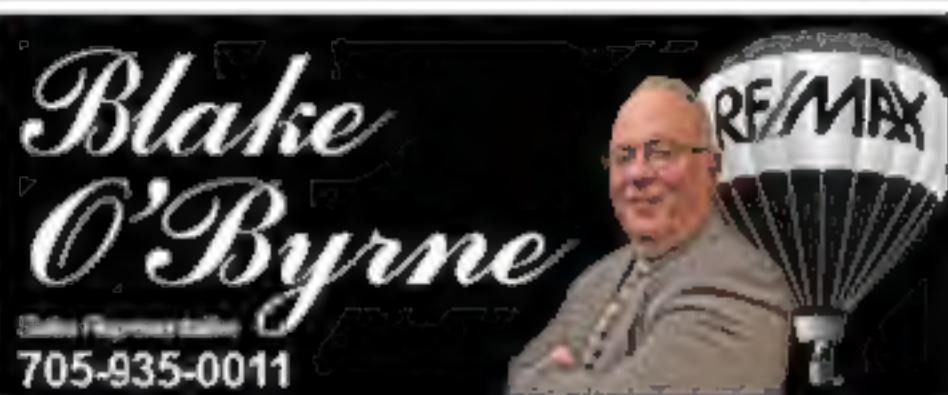
"He said you could easily get a job teaching politics at a university."

Although he officially ceased to be an MP when the Governor General dissolved the 41st Parliament on Aug. 2, he will continue to work on some unfinished business.

"My staff and I have ongoing responsibilities until Monday, Oct. 19 to provide services to constituents and wrap up unresolved case work," he wrote in an email.

Devolin thanked all of his constituents for their support over the years.

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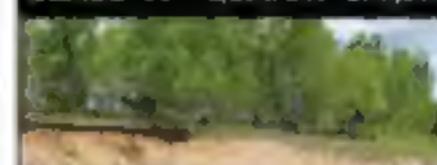
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# Editorial opinion

## Jammed up

Driving through Haliburton Village this week, you might have felt like you were in the city.

One day in particular, traffic stalled from the heart of the Village all the way down past the high school. It was like the Don Valley at rush hour. When you're in cottage country, you don't expect that kind of volume on the roads. It can be frustrating when a normally 10-minute trip in the dump creeps up to an hour sitting at the rear end of a car. Frequent traffic hails for The Crossing of the Gosses don't help either.

There's no doubt the added traffic creates some stress among local and seasonal residents, alike. One of the beautiful things about life in the Highlands is the slow pace – by choice, not because the roads are clogged. Being able to stay calm and relax is why many CTA students choose to spend their summers here. It's a much-needed respite from the stress of life in the city.

But there are times when the peace and quiet is shattered, and this week has been one of those.

People who live on lakes see the same kind of disruption on their waterways. A calm, morning coffee at the end of the dock can quickly go awry when a speed boat charges through the waves, the noise rippling any serenity out of the moment.

Also, that's all a part of summer life in cottage country – the road and water traffic, longer lines in the shops, and rubbing shoulders in the grocery stores. But it's all good.

Good, not in the sense that it takes an hour to drive through town, but that the traffic indicates a healthy community enjoying its summer boom. Good in that businesses are receiving the customers

they used to get through another year, surviving to provide goods and services to their customers for many summer seasons to come.

Some businesses do three-quarters of their trade in just eight to 12 weeks; summer traffic is a necessity.

As annoying, frustrating and maddening as the summer bustle can be, it should be recognized as a positive indicator of activity in our community, and capitalized upon. Some of our towns are a good place to start.

A stronger Haliburton Village would include more peace and fewer dollar signs. There would be music in the streets – much as they have in Minden when The Dominion has a gig on, or Music by the Gull is happening – and more programming in Head Lake Park would ensure it's never empty.

Everything through the summer should – and could – be designed to not only attract people to our towns, but to keep them there long enough to enjoy themselves and spend a bit of money at local establishments while they're at it.

What it takes is a concerted effort between business owners, municipal staff, politicians, and efforts to help Haliburton really come alive through the summer. It's happening, and could happen a bit faster. Clogged roads and insufferable traffic are one way to look at peak season. A better way might be to see ourselves in the middle of something fun and exciting, every day.

One person's jam is another's bread and butter.



By Matthew Desjardins

## Things are looking up

Fifteen years ago I would have been dead against the proposed Blawater Condominium project. My argument would have based more on personal choice than on any perceived merits of the development.

It would have gone something like this: Why would anyone move into an area with so much free space only to be stuck in an apartment building bordering a lake? Didn't they move out of the city to avoid high rises (and in the Highlands a four-story building truly IS a high rise) like this? I never understood that person's mentality.

In addition to that curiosity, I also wasn't a fan of how it would change these small town aesthetics. A massive building, in relative terms, projecting out and over the water, would also lessen the small town appeal of a place like this. I think it says something different about you as a village when you have buildings with elevators.

I'd seen this similar sort of growth over the years, mainly on my travels through Orillia, a small city on the shores of Lake Simcoe that went from being a larger Haliburton to a small metropolis where you now have to buy a waterfront view instead of simply having it as a benefit of being a citizen. That seemed so wrong to me.

Well, times change. While I'm still not a fan of the concept of "cozy" apartments beside the lake, I'm also well aware that I'm not their target market. My view was based more on what the area would lose in the process and not about what it would be gaining. The mere fact that an idea like this – or Gratzie Cove – or any of the other apartment complexes we've seen (and will see in the future) can find buyers in an area like ours proves how times have changed. More so, it proves how the market has to change. What was looked at less than favourably before now needs to be given the time of day – even in my world.

It's hard to believe the issue is settled, especially when you consider who the builders are trying to appeal to and what the buyers are wanting to purchase. A good

number of buyers are long-time cottagers whose lives have simply outgrown their current place of residence. That hill to the lake becomes a lot harder to climb 20 years later.

Add to that the people who are moving into the area from the city and beyond. Some are leaving small midtown residences to this grand waterfront condo by the lake. Some may even be transitioning from the 14<sup>th</sup> floor of their urban apartment to the "seaside" of the fourth floor here. It really becomes all about how you choose to frame it. That's why Backus-Roberts has 32 flavours, I suppose.

Whether it's Haliburton, Minden, or somewhere similar, the mere possibility of an entity like Blawater shows you the housing marketplace and how a place like Haliburton has become a cornerstone in that marketplace for developers like this one. It shows the growth the area has undergone and the way it has measured. One day it's a donut franchise, the next it's a condominium, the next, maybe it's a restaurant.

For a long-time residents like me (who actually welcome growth and change) it is truly disconcerting to see such a prominent building erected that literally changes the local landscape. But really what's in question isn't so much what's coming in but why it's coming in. This could be one of those northern towns that is just fighting to stay alive, almost begging people to make it seem relevant again (see Kirkland Lake), but it's not. It's an area simply embarking upon more change and while there's always going to be some resistance to it, the greater good of the region has to always reign first and foremost.

If that covers moving up instead of spreading out then I guess it's just a telling sign of the times.



By Charlie Taljour

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# Editorial opinion

## Power problems

Dear editor,

Sue Tiffin's report about the water flow concerns and Orilia Power's need for a quick decision on the transfer of lands to facilitate the forward movement of this project was a bit of an eyebrow raiser for me.

Just this week we received a letter from Ian Cledenning informing us that Whitewater Ontario has applied to purchase the "unflooded portion of the original allowance for road along the shore of the Gull River." There is no mention of Orilia Power in this document although the wording, timing etc. are exactly as reported in Mrs. Tiffin's story.

She does however report that OPGC is "requesting a portion of the shoreline (upstream of the existing Horseshoe Lake Dam which is currently vacant)." It is vacant (on the north side of the road) because there is about five feet of land between Horseshoe Lake Road and the Gull River upstream of the dam. That Orilia Power is asking for this minuscule chunk of real estate causes some alarm.

The position of the road allowance on the south side of the road is considerably larger but, according to the survey we were provided, that is part of the land requested by Whitewater Ontario.

Mr. Cledenning commented that "the area of recreational enthusiasts would not be 'significantly impeded.'" That is a sentence fraught with omen. Significance to a corporation means an altogether different thing to us. As a family who lived next door to the weeks of construction noise around the Pan Am Games, I get a bit of a nervous jolt when I think about the near future.

Jon James  
Minden

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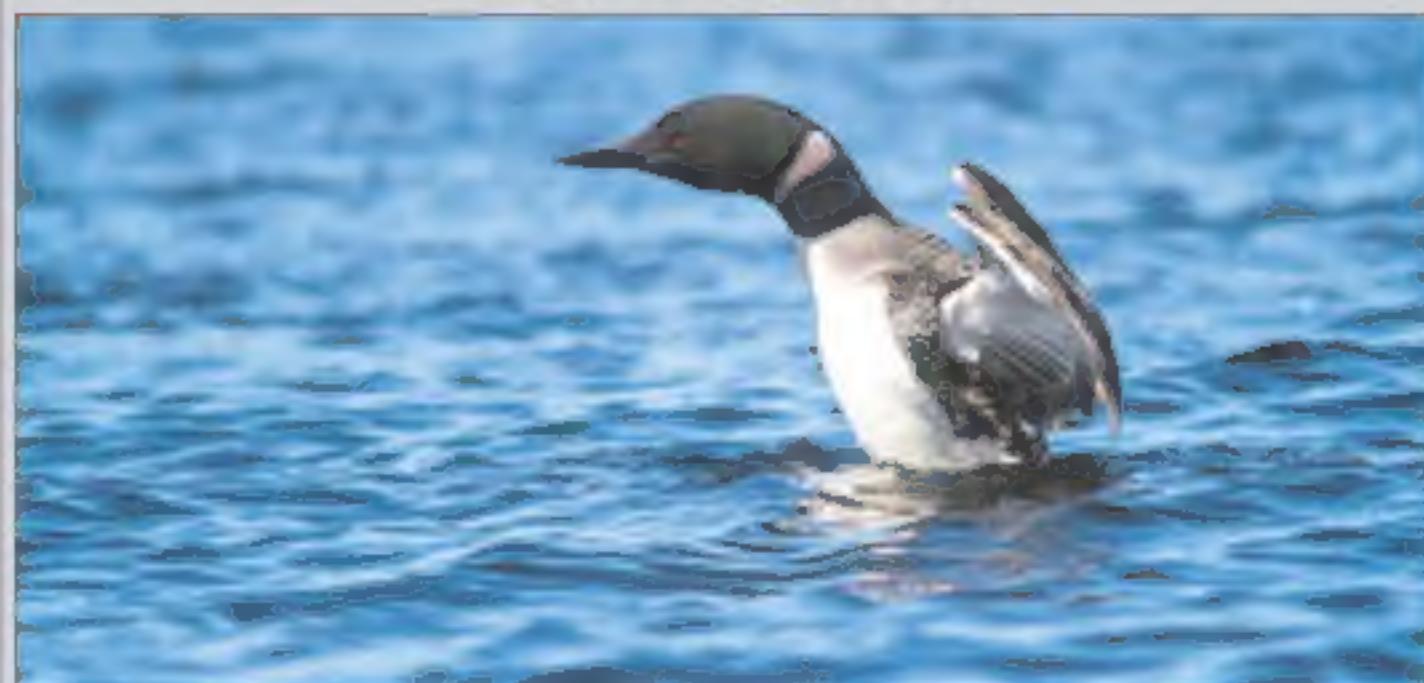


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Splashing around on MacDonald Lake.

## Harper turning to petty election tricks in 2015

Dear editor,

Well, there's an act of political desperation that beats them all!

About a week ago, we learned that Harper's new post-Birdie mission for foreign affairs issued, I believe at the end of April, a memo to his underlings instructing them to provide him with no less than three terrorist-related incidents every week, upon which he could issue statements to the media.

I wonder if any of this staff responded: "And Sir, if there are none forthcoming in a given

week, shall I concoct a few phoney ones for you?"

Apparently, the civic service has been too honest to comply!

Harper knows he has screwed up the native file, the human rights file, and the gender-equality file since the United Nations has just recently publicly chastised him for all three. And, according to the Bank of Canada, the Parliamentary Budget Office and almost every economist in the land, not only are we either teetering on the brink of, or already in another recession (by the way, the only G7 country

with that dubious distinction); but Harper's much-vaunted, long-unrealizable, recently-promised balanced budget has gone up in smoke!

So, since we are now in a deficit for the eighth year running, Harper can't even pretend anymore that he's an economic genius.

There's nothing but boogey-monsters left in Harper's electoral bag of tricks. Pathetic.

Joy Mann  
Minden

## My first tinner

I am glad to report that the maiden voyage went well. There were no dunkings, no capsizing, no grounding or crashing into docks. In fact, I would go so far as to say it was a success.

You'll probably gather from this outcome that we didn't take Jeff the Dog on our first outing in our new motor boat. We thought it best not to after the fiasco that unfolded when we tried to introduce him to a canoe.

It was just me, my lovely wife and Little Z clad in PFDs, putt-putting along in our "new-to-us" boat, a 12 foot long tinner with a massive 2.5hp motor. And we came away from the event relatively unscathed.

Now, to many of you this statement may seem a little ridiculous. What could possibly happen to anyone in a battered old tin boat with a tiny motor? How is it possible for even the stupidest fool to get into trouble when at the tiller of such an unadventurous craft?

Well, let's take a step back for a moment and examine the situation. Firstly, I'm English. I'm not Halibutonian and as such not born on the banks of the lake in which my grandparents water skied on maple boards in the 1940s. I'm from a place where the largest

body of water that most of us ever see is the bath tub. And as such, I have not had a lot of boating experience.

Second, in order to get the boat into the lake I had to drive it to the lake. Sounds simple, right?

Not so. I refer to my previous answer. I'm English, not Halibutonian, and in that respect I did not learn to expertly reverse a trailer at the age of eight, like most folk I know around here. Even driving through the village towing the boat was an ordeal, especially as my lovely wife deemed it the perfect time to run a few strands, and so insisted that we 'stop', 'turn around', 'just back-up over there' on numerous occasions. By the time we'd got to the lake I was a nervous wreck. That said, launching our little boat went without a hitch (only four attempts at reversing down the launch in a straight line).

At last, we were afloat and motoring leisurely up the lake, Pine Lake to be precise.

Now, last Monday (the long weekend holiday Monday) was a fine hot windy day and our little boat bobbed and dipped between the waves quite energetically. Little Z found this to be great fun, especially each time

a wave broke over the bow and splashed his mucky. My lovely wife braved the occasional shower though and we were soon in the river heading to Goss Lake. This is a twenty forty after that taxed my fledgling captain-ship to the limit, especially when a seagull came screaming past us at about 100mph. But, it wasn't until we reached Goss Lake that the fun really began.

The wind was blowing straight down the lake and as we rounded the last bend in the river there were white caps rolling into the river mouth.

"It looks like the ocean," said Little Z, and as we hit the first wave I realized that it was as close to going to sea as I ever want to be in this little boat. Wave after wave, some of them a whopping 18 inches high, crashed into the boat and my lovely wife was soon not so accommodating about the soaking. As I turned around the boat went broadside to the swell and Little Z let out a whoop as we rocked violently. I let out a few expletives from between gritted teeth and hung onto the tiller for all I was worth.

Back in the river my lovely wife asked whether my Pleasure Craft Operator Exam

had prepared her for this kind of eventuality. I smiled sarcastically and informed her that while I had struggled



By Will Jones

somewhat to control our little craft in the waves I could have instantly recognized the warning lights displayed by a tug boat while it pushed a barge through a fog bank if needs be, and that I did know the safest way to cross a shipping lane, if such an instance should arise. She wasn't impressed.

After re-negotiating the river and a less eventful jaunt around Pine Lake, in which Little Z expressed his displeasure at the less than record-breaking top speed of our little craft, plus a complete lack of understanding as to how the 2.5 hp motor was perfect for trolling for lakes, we headed back to the dock.

Only three reversing manoeuvres to get the trailer into the water, and only a couple of aborted attempts to steer the boat onto it. I was home and golden. My lovely wife's back was a tad wet but my pride was intact and the boat still afloat. Watch out folks we'll be on the water again soon.

## TheOutsider

# Highlander opinion

**Eye on the street:** What do you think of the election being called?



**Brian and Kathy Adams**

Cobourg

I think the money being spent on the campaigning is ridiculous. The ones being spent are just outrageous.



**Gail Baker**

Toronto

Don't get me started! I think it's ridiculous and unnecessary. We're spending too much money in Canada on these elections.



**Jhnelle McLaran**

Brampton

I think it is sudden but all I can hope for is that the right decisions are being made.



**Keith Bishop**

Bradford

Honestly, I haven't heard much about it. I do plan to look into it though.



**Mark Leighton**

Toronto

It's a ridiculous waste of money. I've wanted "The Harp" gone for a while now. I call him that because if you're not playing him, he's playing you.

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## Minden considers parking options on Bobcaygeon

By Sue Tiffin  
Staff writer

Minden BIA members and business owners are working together to solve an occasional but ongoing parking issue on Bobcaygeon Road.

Councillors voted at a July 30 council meeting to improve the road configuration on Bobcaygeon between Interceptor and Deep Bay Roads by prohibiting parking in front of businesses alongside the road, and to better utilize an existing municipal parking lot to the east.

"It's been a long-term problem, and it may take two or three steps to get to a permanent resolution that's agreeable for all," Reeve Bruce Devolin told The Highlander. "We'll get the first part done and see if it's sufficient."

At the meeting, roads supervisor Travis Wilson reported that the narrow road lanes at the location don't allow for sufficient parking space according to safety standards.

"The recommended width of a parking stall is 2.6 m," he wrote. "Due to the narrow 8.5 m platform width of this section of road, there is inadequate space for parking by 0.90 m."

Deborah Lyons, owner of Organic Times on Bobcaygeon Road said the issue of parking hasn't significantly affected her or her store, where customers are in and out of the building.

"I have confidence in what the township is going to do for the merchants on this block," she said. "They've assured me they will create more parking for this strip."

Wilson presented three options intended to alleviate the issue of bottleneck traffic and potential safety concerns. Option one was to maintain the road while preserving and upgrading the municipal parking lot at a cost of \$4,800. Option two was to

close the sidewalk in front of the businesses to widen the road and below meet safety standards for a cost of \$65,000. Option three was to either re-paint the concrete marking to create more parking opportunity, though Wilson noted this option would still not meet safety standards.

Though option two was preferred by some business owners who said the proximity of the parking spot would allow better accessibility for shoppers with mobility difficulties, the high price tag of the work required to shorten the sidewalk was discouraging.

"If it costs \$65,000, that's not the best solution," said Kristen Monk, co-owner of the Gordon A. Monk Funeral Home on Bobcaygeon Road.

Devolin said he didn't consider option two to be wise or prudent, and said better utilizing the parking lot across from the Deep Bay Road intersection was the best compromise for the time being. Improving the lot would make approximately a dozen parking spaces.

"I drove by that parking lot for a decade and didn't realize we could park there. If this option is imperfect, we can revisit it."

Councillor Pam Stoyne said she had spoken with business owners in the area and was concerned about affecting the income of the businesses. She broached the issue of delivery trucks not being able to easily access the area and suggested a painted cross-walk be added to the road for additional safety.

Lyons applauded Stoyne's efforts and both she and Wilson said until the owners of the Gordon A. Monk funeral home with being generous in allowing public use of their private parking lot while funeral services aren't in session.

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# Highlander news



## Liberal Marquis meets voters at BBQ

By Sue Thfin  
Staff writer

There were burgers on the grill and politics on the mind at a pre-election gathering for Liberal supporters at Rooney Park.

A group of people interested in meeting David Marquis joined him for a free barbecue in Minden on July 30. The Haliburton-Kawartha Lakes-Brock Liberal candidate attracted about 60 people from around the riding to the park, which he called a gem.

"It's a way for him to get a little closer to the people in Minden," said local media liaison Joan Ransberry of Maple Lake.

Area resident Julia Robertson said she

was there to meet the candidate.

She was impressed with what she heard at the barbecue, and was interested in hearing about David's experience in a farm family and as a small business owner.

"I needed to know who he is," she said. "He knows what it's like to get up in the morning, and knows what hard work is, and also knows what business is. He knows what it is to work."

She said when it comes to voting, she has sometimes switched back and forth,

like when she voted for Chris Hodgson who she babysat when he was a child. Generally though, her family has been

Liberal as long as she can remember. She said she used to attend Liberal events when she was a child, which is part of the reason she encourages young people today to become interested in politics.

"It's so important, whether it be municipal or provincial or federal," she said. "Our

forefathers fought for our freedom, and we shouldn't just give that freedom away."

**Julia Robertson**

area resident

The barbecue was also attended by people from outside of Haliburton County, including supporters from Penetanguishene. Robertson said it was important for Marquis to connect the people from the north and south.

"It's important to hear what their issues are, and important for them to hear what our issues are," she said.

Marquis said the meeting was a great opportunity to meet with community members.

"Politicians don't always remember, but we're supposed to be listening," he told The Highlander. "It's important that people can ask questions. A barbecue is a place where we can listen."

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# Highlander business

## Online sales drive Living Libations expansion

By Mark Arriko  
Staff writer

A local company that relies upon online sales for the majority of its business is expanding as a result of their tremendous growth over the past two years.

Nadine Arsenis and Ron Obadia, owners of Living Libations, visited Dysart council on July 27 to present their proposal to build a 7,000-square-foot facility off Harburn Road. The family-owned business, which started in 1994, produces natural, organic, botanical beauty and oral care products.

"What started out as a cottage industry has grown a lot," said Arsenis, who started the business as a retail store on Queen Street in Toronto.

As the Internet grew in popularity and their desire to leave the city became stronger, the couple relocated to Haliburton in 2007.

"We absolutely love it and will be living here for the rest of our lives," she said.

In August of 2013, tragedy struck when their home – which served as their business headquarters – was consumed by fire. They made it out safely, but their entire inventory was destroyed.

Armenia recalled how, at the time, they were a week away from submitting plans to the municipality to build a bigger structure.

"Luckily, we had been saving for years and years to build this other building."

Help came in the form of local residents

Johnny Burke and his wife, who offered the couple a temporary space on Calico Road.

"We were able to set up right away, and none of our employees ever lost a minute of work due to the fire," she said.

As part of their proposal, they are purchasing a parcel of land along Harburn Road that will give them access to a 100-acre lot that was created in 2012.

The zone for their workshop and retail store would be limited to a five-acre site in the north-west corner of the municipal lot.

Armenis and Obadia say that the structure will fit in with the surrounding environment.

"The building we're going for is very harmonious with the environment," said Obadia, adding "there's a specific aesthetic."

According to a report by planning director Pat Marion, staff have not yet inspected the site. Aerial photographs and maps show that the proposed driveway will enter along a valley that is forested with coniferous trees.

The building will be located on the backside of a ridge of land, about 650 feet off the road.

The pair currently employs 25 people, all whom receive benefits after a few months. Some earn as much as \$40 per hour.

"Our goal is to move beyond a working class here in Haliburton," said Arsenis.

Obadia added that couples have stayed in the area because of their employment at Living Libations.

Armenis said they plan on hosting an open house with their neighbours to address any of



Photo submitted by Living Libations

the concerns they might have.

Dysart Reeve Murray commended the couple on the success they have achieved.

"Yourselves and people like Patriot News are the kinds of industry we need here to create stable employment opportunities for people," he said.

Marion noted that businesses like Living Libations "represents a change in the way businesses are doing things."

"We have to pick this up in our OP (Official

Plan)," she said. "It's not a commercial business where people come, it's an internet-based business."

In order to proceed, they will require a zoning amendment, site plan agreement, entrance permission from the county's roads department, permission to cross the original road allowance, and septic and building permits.

The next available date for a site plan meeting is in October.



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### Meetings & Events

Aug 7 & 8 Minden & District Horticultural Society's Annual Flower Show "Enchanted Garden", Minden Community Centre, 55 Parkside St.  
Fri - 7-9pm, Sat - 10am-4pm

\$7/person, includes refreshments and demonstrations

Aug 16 Gelfert Cemetery Decoration Service, 3:00 pm, 1052 Cemetery Road (outside grounds), Kinmount Legion Colour Party and Ministered service

Aug 27 Committee of the Whole/Regular meeting of Council, 9:00 am, Minden Council Chambers

Please note there is only one scheduled meeting of council for the months of July and August

### [www.mindenhillst.ca/cultural-centre](http://www.mindenhillst.ca/cultural-centre)

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Thursday 10am - 8pm  
Friday 10am - 4pm  
Saturday 9am - 4pm  
Sunday 12pm - 4pm  
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August 15 at 11:00 am - Mouse Prevention and Control

### Ball Hockey at the SG Nesbitt Memorial Arena

Wednesday evenings until August 12th  
6:00 pm-7:00 pm - Ages 8-13  
7:00 pm-8:00 pm - Ages 14-17  
Cost is \$2.00 per person /per session

### Minden Hills Artisan Market

Saturday mornings from June 20th to September 12th from 9:00 am to 1:00 pm at the Minden Hills Cultural Centre.  
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Saturday afternoons until August 15  
2:00 pm - 4:00 pm  
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For a schedule of Council's Advisory Boards and Committees meeting dates and locations, visit the Township's website at [www.mindenhillst.ca/tenders/](http://www.mindenhillst.ca/tenders/) or contact the Clerk's Office at 705-286-1260 ext. 215.

### Landfill Cards

Reminder that the NEW orange landfill user cards are effective August 1, 2015 at all Minden Hills landfill and transfer station locations. The green landfill user cards will continue to be accepted until September 30, 2015.

### Notice of Tax Sale

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The HHCoC will engage with local candidates in order to ensure that the needs of our members and the business community as a whole are heard during this campaign.

For more information, visit [haliburtonchamber.com](http://haliburtonchamber.com)

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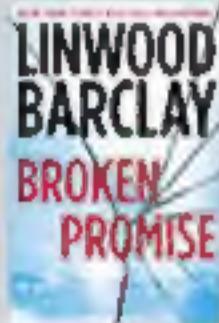


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# Highlander arts

## Haliburton County's Hot Reads

The following are popular new additions to the Haliburton County Public Library's collection this week.



### HCPL's TOP FICTION

1. Broken Promise by Linwood Barclay
2. Alert by James Patterson
3. Perfect Touch by Elizabeth Lowell

### HCPL's TOP NON-FICTION

1. 500 Kids Art Ideas: Inspiring projects for fostering creativity and self-expression by Gavin Andrew
2. All Who Go Do Not Return: a memoir by Shulian Dean
3. The Desire Map: a guide to creating goals with soul by Danielle LaPorte

### HCPL's TOP JUNIOR TITLES

1. The Dragonfly Effect by Gordon Korman (JF)
2. Out of the Woods: a true story of an unforgettable event by Rebecca Bond (JNF)

### AUDIO and VIDEO at HCPL

1. Home (DVD)
2. Circling the Sun by Paula McLain (Book on CD)

### Library News

Look out for our Portable Library at upcoming community events! We'll be at the Wilberforce Agricultural Fair on Aug. 8 and the Haliburton County Fair on Aug. 15. Join us for a snack and take craft, sign up for a library card, and tell us your library story!

## No muss, no fuss on SIRCH's Hop On Hop Off bus



## What's Up

For me the concept of running a bus service around certain sections of Haliburton County in the summer months, or for specific occasions, is an idea whose time has come.

The Hop On Hop Off bus which has been running on Tuesdays through the month of July is the brainchild of the people over at SIRCH (SIRCH.ca.ca), an organization which provides essential supportive services for residents in Haliburton County. So when I heard that they were looking for a conductor to both inform and entertain the riders, I jumped at the opportunity.

The Hop On Hop Off bus was designed as a promotional experiment, and as a fun, affordable way (a flat fee of \$10 all day) for tourists and locals to see some of the sights and landmarks in our wonderful county, while also providing transportation to those who do not own cars. Putting a financial package together to run the operation was not an easy thing to do, but with assistance from such organizations as the Haliburton SIA, and local sponsors, the mission was accomplished and the first trip commenced on June 30.

By the time you read this the very worthy experiment will have come to an end for the season. Looking back what I liked best about the venture was meeting new people. Some just wanted to tell their own stories, while others were fascinated by bits of information I could give them about various points of interest along the route.

The 14-seat, air-conditioned bus started out each Tuesday at the Thrift Warehouse in Haliburton. Then it went to the School of the Arts, just in time for passengers, if they wanted, to get off and attend the regular Tuesday guided tour of the Sculpture Forest, which is located in the woods just behind the school. I'd tell them a little about the history and the courses available at the school, the wooden to be found in the Sculpture Forest, and the various happenings which regularly take place at the Haliburton Highlands Museum, which is located just across from the school in Gilead

Park. People could get off, spend an hour or so experiencing the school, sculptures and the museum, and then hop back on the bus when it came around the next time.

Our very first passenger was a young man called DJ from the Ivory Coast, who was living in Alberni. His wife, who is an artist, had won a week's worth of free lessons at the school. They had no car and were walking everywhere. DJ was delighted to hop aboard at the Cobhouse at Head Lake Park and see something of the country while his wife attended classes. It was something he would not have been able to do without the bus.

After several more scheduled stops in the village the bus progressed along Highway 118 to West Gullford, with stops at the community centre and at Abbey Gardens. It then proceeded to Rhineland in Cawarson before heading down Highway 36 to Minden where it stopped at the upscale Thrift Warehouse, The Visitor Information Centre, Sunny Dogs and Molly's Bistro Bakery. Paul Prentiss, our driver, who had some stories of his own, then retraced the route back the way we had come in order to pick up anyone who had got off on the way, and wanted back on.

Some people who went to Minden from Haliburton did not get back on the bus until the last of the three scheduled round trips, and one woman was overheard to say that she had not been in Minden in over four years, because she didn't have a car and could not afford a cab.

One young man hopped on in Cawarson and simply wanted an inexpensive way to get to Haliburton and we provided it for him. Two elderly women, one with a disability, got on the bus one Tuesday because they wanted to go to the Farmer's Market in Haliburton. They had a whale of a time and got back on the bus the next time around, laden with farm-fresh goodness. They liked the experience so much they repeated it again two weeks later.

Passengers also purchased beer from our brewerians, ate at our restaurants and learned

a great deal about the county that they never knew. One couple had just retired to the Highlands and wanted to know as much as they could about the county. I was able to tell them something of the logging and mining history of the area, our wonderful minerals, fauna and flora, points of scenic beauty and good places to eat along the route. People exchanged names and one passenger found a long-lost friend; so the bus took on the attributes of a social club on wheels. There was a lot of laughter.

We had a guest conductor in Kate Butler, the director of the Haliburton Highlands Museum, and this past Tuesday, our last trip of the season, the talented singer-songwriter Albert Saddy was to come aboard to entertain us. Invitations were also extended to members of the Minden Hills Council, in the hopes of some future support.

The bus was a wonderful experience that brought a diverse section of people together in a unique way and I would play the part of the conductor again in a heartbeat. Yes, most of us have autos to get around in, but think of those residents and visitors who don't and what a liberating experience the bus was for them.

As word got out and word truly was provided with a megaphone to announce our imminent arrivals, the number of passengers continued to increase. It all ran smoothly, no muss, no fuss on the bus. So I'm convinced that the summertime experience of the Hop On Hop Off bus set a positive precedent. With the knowledge gained and some more funding, the concept could go a long way to providing a service that can grow and be sustained, possibly to include events like the studio tour.

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# Highlander arts



Photo by Mark Arlike  
Acrylic artist Yves Ameline was a guest artist at Heather Poppe's studio off Highway 118.

## Five new artists featured on tour

By Mark Arlike  
Staff writer

Local artists from all walks of life opened up their studios to the public during the August long weekend for the ninth annual Tour de Forest.

"Overall we had a great tour," said chairperson Charlene McCollum. "The visitors I had the opportunity to chat with were enjoying the tour and the new work, intending to take in multiple studios."

The tour featured the work of 24 artists at 11 studios, most of which were located closer to Haliburton. Five new artists were welcomed this year:

Acrylic artist Yves Ameline was one of those new participants. He was a guest artist at Heather Poppe's The Wee Quilting Studio.

Ameline heard about the tour through a friend, also a painter and cottager, who asked him if he would join her as a guest if she was successful in her application. He agreed, but she was turned down.

"Having made the decision to apply, I said 'OK, I'll apply anyways' and they let me in," recalled Ameline.

Although things were fairly quiet on Saturday morning, he was looking forward to connecting with visitors and discussing his work.

"At least I'm getting something new that I don't normally get," he said. "I get to talk to people about my paintings."

A seasonal resident since 1974, Ameline has developed his skills as an artist by taking courses at the Haliburton School of the Arts. Many of his pieces on display in Poppe's

studio captured the views from his cottage on Dog Lake.

Now that he's retired, art is his "main occupation."

"Even though I'm left brain dominant, I've always had a very strong right brain that's been fighting for attention. Now I'm giving it that attention."

Next door, Poppe was talking to visitors about her handmade quilts of all shapes and sizes. It's a medium she has been working at for the past 60 years.

"My grandmother taught me at the firehouse," she explained, "and then my mother taught me how to embroider. Then I just tried to create more and more on my own."

This was Poppe's second year on the tour, but her first time as a host studio. Last year she was a guest artist at June Selfie's studio.

"I have a real passion because I've done it for so many years, and I love quilting."

She was also a member of the Highlands East Studio Tour for several years.

According to McCollum, 12 artists applied to be on this year's tour.

"We don't have a stringent criteria in the amount of work they have to have," she said. "Particularly when we're working with young and new artists, we're looking to give them an opportunity and a new experience and to mentor them."

Visitors to each studio were able to enter a draw for either a piece of artwork or a gift certificate.

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# Highlander arts

Through my eyes



By Austin  
McGillion

## Sentimental standards

It has come to my attention that people have certain standards for things.

For example, I used to have an old black computer. It ran slower than dirt and the games didn't look that good. Now I have invested a lot of money into my current computer, not just for the speed and quality, but for my job which requires a computer to run at its peak to get things done in an efficient manner.

Before I spent money on my computer, my favorite game ran at about 12 frames per second, and only at mid settings. Now it runs at 60 frames per second all the time and at the highest settings. But if my computer broke and I needed to buy a new one, I wouldn't be content with just anything because it's one of those "once you've had better you don't want to have less" moments.

For instance, say Jack Cox (a bike enthusiast) broke a gear set on his bike and had to get a new one, I would not look at him and say "well here's a cheaper bike, it has softer suspension and it has less bells and whistles than your current one" because he would most likely say "no." That's a common understandable standard.

When you have something good, a car with air conditioning, bluetooth, and all-wheel drive, you're not going to settle for a cheaper vehicle with none of the stuff you currently have. The higher end things are much more expensive but if you only have \$600, you're just going get your current high-end product repaired or go without and save until you have enough.

We don't want to settle for less than we've had previously, but new things, especially for bikers, guitar players, and computer users, are super expensive. I have two 27 inch monitors for my broadcasting setup so I can multitask. I want to be able to listen to customized recorded commercials on one monitor and look at the wave lengths on the other, and those monitors can be as high as \$800 dollars each! That's definitely not cheap, but it's worth saving for because it has sharp texture resolutions, good audio quality, low blue light, which is important for your health if you are going to be working on computers every day all day long, and that's what I need.

I don't want to buy monitors for \$300 and then have to replace them in two years, that's like throwing money away. If you're a hardcore biker or gamer, even a gaming hobbyist, the equipment you need to meet your level of expertise can be cost prohibitive sometimes. I think that sucks, but we do what we have to, because we love our standards and our hobbies.

I wouldn't be spending so much money on my computer if I didn't need it for work. I'd say my expenses on my computer are 90 per cent work and ten per cent gaming hobby. However once we set standards for ourselves, buying anything less just doesn't make sense. So we make due and save until we get what we need.

I want to be the best so I need the best equipment to achieve that. So this will be an expensive two years for me with tuition for college, computer upgrades and residence living expenses, but I have set my standards and will work hard to see them to fruition.

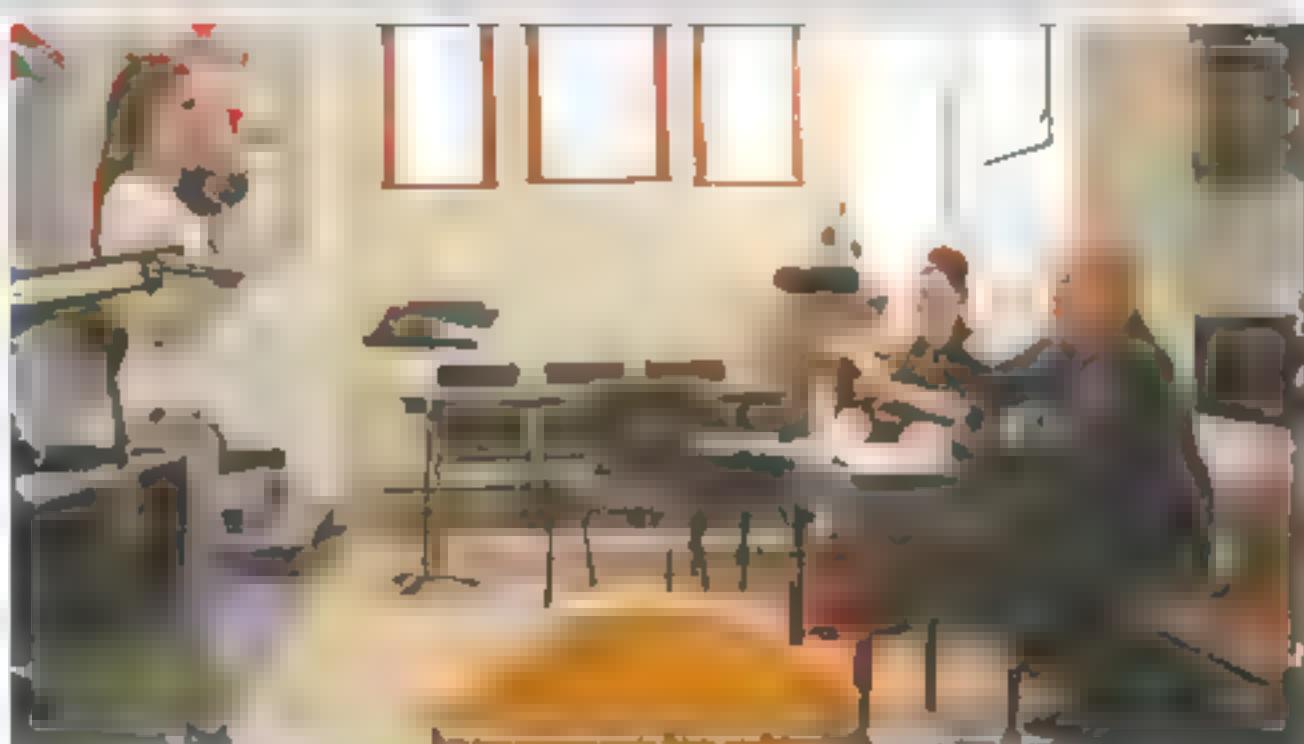


Photo by Mark Arntz

Highlands Opera Studio artistic director Richard Margison, right, gives mezzo-soprano Danielle MacMillan a few pointers during a master class on July 30 at St. George's Anglican Church.

## Opera singers warm up for live shows

By Mark Arntz  
Staff writer

**Possibly** no place else demands the talents of St. George's Anglican Church as a training ground.

Young opera singers are in the process of mastering their skills under the tutelage of a coach with years of knowledge and experience behind them.

It's the ideal setting for one whose main objective is to make a real go of it in the world of opera.

"It's great," said artistic director Richard Margison. "We've got some fantastic singers and everything is moving along beautifully."

The ninth annual season of the Highlands Opera Studio (HOS) begins on July 28. In total, participants will spend six weeks in the intensive training program, which includes performances for audiences at the conclusion of master classes, concerts and two full-staged operas.

As in previous years, Margison, who is also an internationally-acclaimed Canadian tenor, travelled across the country with his wife Valérie Kusika (general director for the HOS) to find the talent for this year's program. They landed close to 210 voices in auditions held in Vancouver Island, Alberta, Toronto, Montreal and even New York.

"Then of course we have to whittle it down to 24, which is not always easy because there's a lot of great singers," he said.

Each singer accepted into the program receives free training and all of their living costs are paid for. This translates to about \$8,500 per participant, Margison pointed out.

The HOS comes up with the funds through foundations, private donations and corporate sponsorships.

Danielle MacMillan, a 26-year-old Mezzo-soprano from Toronto, first applied to the program a few years ago. She will play Cherubino in Mozart's *Le Nozze Di Figaro* (The Marriage of Figaro).

On day three of the program, she expressed her enthusiasm for working with a new conductor and collaborating with different people.

"I'm always thinking about how I can establish a relationship," said MacMillan.

She got her start in opera at the tender age of 12 by mimicking soprano Charlotte Church.

"My parents actually got me her CD collection and I just started copying her voice, and my grandmother convinced my mom to put me into voice lessons."

After high school, MacMillan obtained a Bachelor of fine arts degree with a specialty in voice performance at York University. She then went to The Glenn Gould School of The

Royal Conservatory of Music.

She has sung in a couple of productions put on by the Canadian Opera Company.

Although MacMillan is new to the HOS, she has been to the Highlands before.

"I used to come here a couple of times," she said. "I love cottage country. It makes me feel at home."

Prince Edward Island native Nathan Keoughan is back for his fifth year in the program. He "locked out" in 2010 when someone he sang for in Toronto made a call to Margison and Kusika.

"They were just like, 'I have this young bass that you need here,'" recalled Keoughan.

The Toronto resident is one of three returning participants, however, he has been in the program longer than anyone.

"I know the stick, I know Haliburton pretty well at this point," he laughed.

The 27-year-old said he has developed "a wonderful rapport" with Margison and Kusika, which is a big part of the reason he continues to stick back.

"They really watch out for me career-wise and they just really care. So I've kind of felt safe with them," he said.

In addition to the training component, singers are provided networking opportunities with agents and other industry insiders.

"That's unheard of, really. There's no other program in North America that brings all these agents in. So we get exposure to the middle of nowhere."

As a bass-baritone, Keoughan will also star in *Le Nozze Di Figaro* as Figaro.

Once this season of the HOS wraps up, he will head to Calgary to perform with Calgary Opera. He places an sticking with his passion.

"My intention is to stick with it," he said, adding that the program is "useful to be a launching board for people."

According to the HOS website, Figaro continues the plot of *The Barber of Seville*. The local production will be set in Hollywood in the 1970s and will veer away from the traditional count and countess characters from the 18th century.

"The count will be a Richard Burton-type character, who was a famous philanderer, and Elizabeth Taylor will be the countess," said Margison.

The opera will be sung in Italian with English subtitles.

Performances will be held from Aug. 30 to Sept. 3 at the Northern Lights Performing Arts Pavilion. For more information or to buy tickets visit [highlandsoperastudio.com](http://highlandsoperastudio.com).

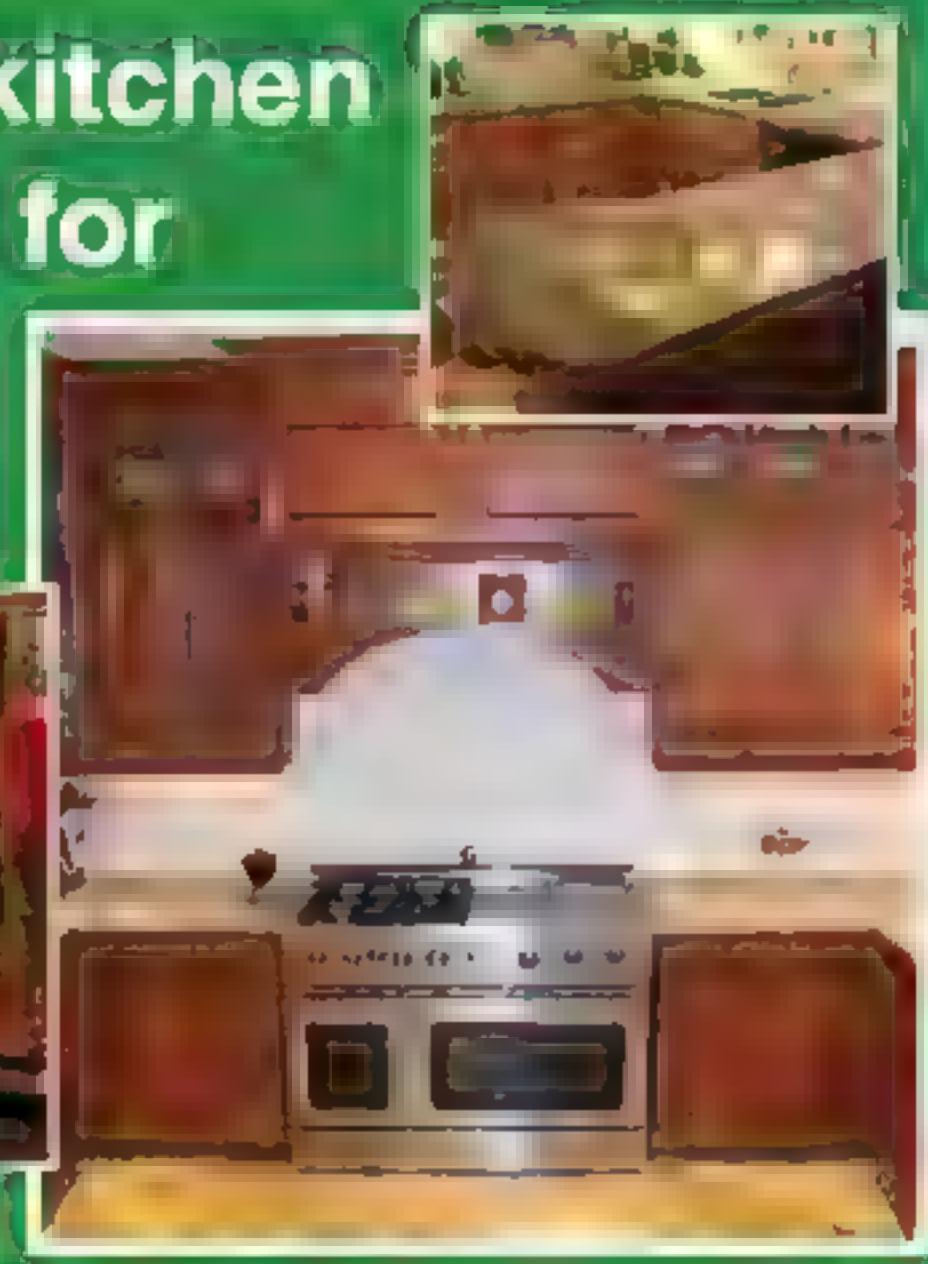
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# Make it Minden



## Up close with emergency services at Make It Minden

Kids were delighted to be sitting in the driver's seat of a firetruck, holding a water hose alongside a firefighter or lounging in the back of an ambulance with an EMS worker. The Make It Minden event on Aug. 4 made it happen with the help of emergency workers who volunteered to engage participating kids. About two dozen kids visited the Minden Fire Hall to see the emergency service vehicles. They chatted with firefighters and EMS drivers, and picked up loot bags to take home. The next Make It Minden event happens on Aug. 12. Pictured above left: Three-year-old Memphis Santzer came prepared in costume to explore the firetrucks at the Make it Minden event. Top right: Minden firefighter Joel Parker helped Jochlin Dykes, 6, from Kitchener have a chance with the firehose. Above right: Jace Dylestra, 5, of Minden learns about the equipment available to help fight forest fires.

By Ian Tiffin

# Highlander life

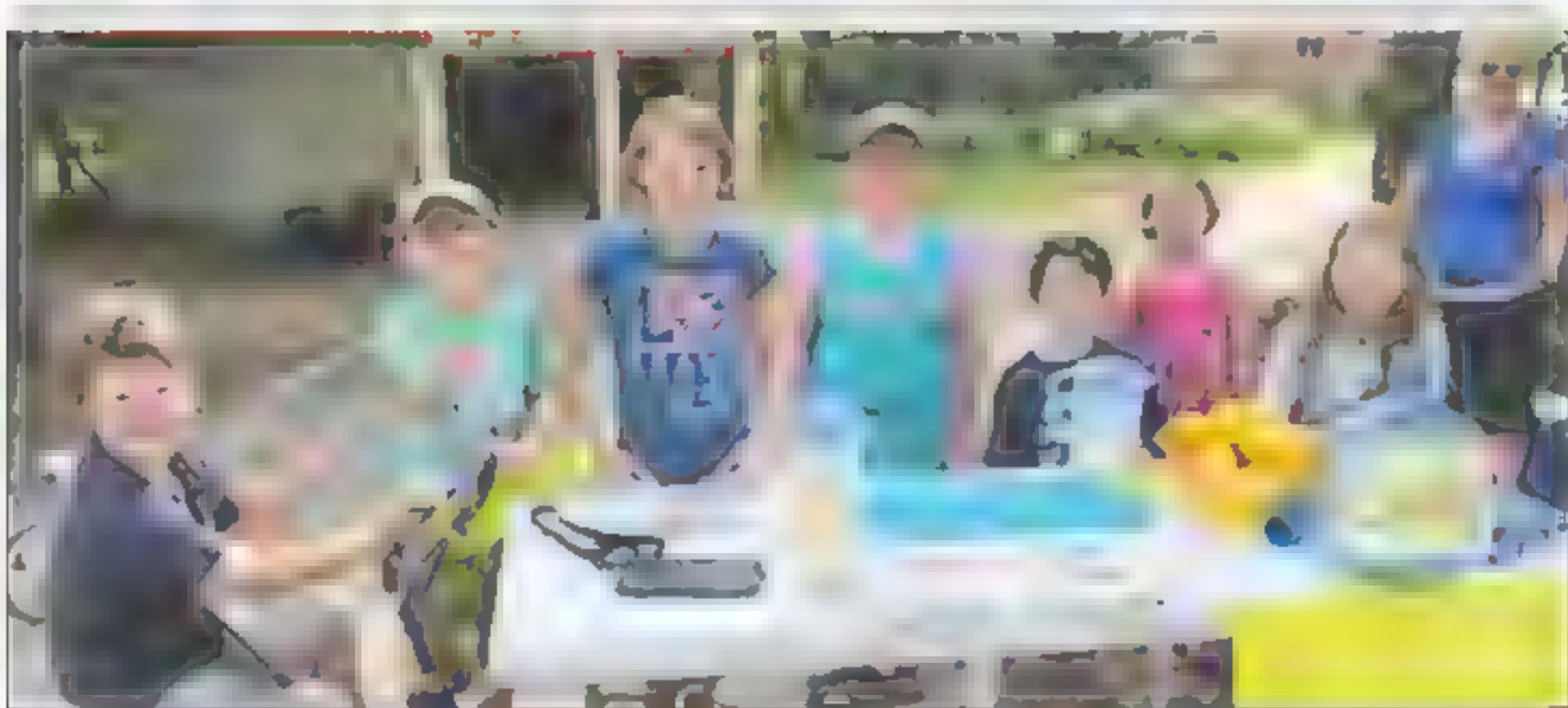


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From left: Tathan McCutcheon, Austin Orego, Georgia Code, Colin Thorpe, Tecwyn McCutcheon, Ava Code, Kayla Switzer and Karen Code.



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Radio Bingo lead Pat Barry, left (front) presents a cheque to Marilyn Lepersance, chef cook in the Community Kitchen program and chair of the Minden Community Food Centre, while Canoe FM volunteers and staff gather around. From left: Tom Parish, Bob Stiles, Roxanne Casey, Marilyn Frost, Judy Johnson, Neila Magarty, OPP Const. Deanna Dauphinee and Ron Murphy.

## Radio Bingo raises \$2,800 for Community Kitchen program

By Mark Arike  
Staff writer

The Community Kitchen program is cushioned on the success of Canoe FM's Radio Bingo.

On July 31, volunteers with the radio station gave a cheque for \$2,827 to Marilynne Lepersance, chef cook in the program and chair of the Minden Community Food Centre.

"It will enable us to finish buying the equipment we need in the kitchen," said Lepersance of the donation. "We have a wonderful facility, but we don't have cupboards, we don't have a sliding wall between the dining room which holds 60 [people]."

The group is also in the process of installing a wheelchair ramp at the facility.

Located at 24 Newcastle Street in Minden, the Food Centre is also home to the food bank and community gardens.

According to their website, the purpose of the Community Kitchen program is to educate people about healthy eating and give them the opportunity to access healthier options.

Station manager Roxanne Casey said the funds were raised during a six-month period this past winter. Half of the proceeds from the sales of Bingo tickets equaled the donation.

The next organization set to benefit from the program is the Haliburton Highlands Outdoors Association, with funds going to the fish hatchery.

Now in its third year, Radio Bingo is held every Tuesday evening at 6 p.m.

## Sour faces equal sweet success for Angelman

By Mark Arike  
Staff writer

Local children and parents had people sticking on lemons and enjoying lemonade for a cause they're very passionate about.

"The challenge is to bring awareness to AS (Angelman Syndrome)," wrote Bethan McCutcheon in an email.

The McCutcheons hosted a lemonade stand at their home in Moore Falls on Aug. 1. The proceeds from the event will go to the Foundation for Angelman Syndrome Therapeutics (FAST).

The cause is important to Bethan and her husband Sean, parents to Tecwyn, 11, and Tathan, 10, both of whom have AS.

"This is super fun," she said on the morning of the event.

The AS Lemonade Stand Initiative took off and gained international exposure when Na'ama Uzan challenged kids across the world to host their own stand to help find a cure for AS. In April, the five-year-old Toronto girl became a household name after raising \$25,000 by selling lemonade to help her brother who has AS.

The McCutcheons got on board when Tecwyn and Tathan were issued a challenge by three siblings with AS who live in California.

"So you suck on a lemon, have a laugh while someone captures the moment and you post the pic on social media then challenge someone else," explained Bethan.

Classmates of the boys and their parents helped run the stand, which ran from 9 a.m. to noon.

"The support of Tecwyn and Tathan's

peer group is so strong," said Bethan, pointing out that she benefits by meeting other moms. "It's just a win-win."

According to the Canadian Angelman Syndrome Society, AS is a neurogenetic disorder characterized by intellectual and developmental delay, sleep disturbance, seizures, jerky movements, frequent laughter or smiling, and usually a happy demeanor.

The McCutcheons weren't the only ones taking part in the challenge on Saturday. Sue and Justin Tiffie, also parents to a child with the rare disorder, set up a stand at the Haliburton County Farmers' Market in Minden.

"At the Farmers' Market we were grateful for our neighbours who helped us set up, and for the general camaraderie of the people there," wrote Sue in an email. "We were there for one day only but did love the experience."

Their stands raised nearly \$725 combined.

Another lemonade stand fundraiser will be held at Yummy Memory Emporium, located at 168 Bobcaygeon Road in Minden, on Aug. 8 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. The local business has pledged to donate 10 per cent of all lemon-coloured items sales (clothing, leg warmers, creams, etc.) to FAST.

According to parent Kim Switzer, members of the Dysart volunteer fire department accepted the suck on a lemon challenge during the McCutcheons' fundraiser. As a result, Switzer is challenging the local OPP, EMS and members of council to do the same this coming Saturday.



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# Highlander life

## Artist puts Carnarvon on the map, literally

By Sue Triffen  
Staff writer

After nearly 300 hours of work by local artist Robert Van Nood, Carnarvon is now on the map.

But not just any map — the hamlet that shares land in Algoma Highlands and Minden Hills is featured on a detailed poster showcasing 27 businesses through an initiative by the Haliburton County Farmer's Market Association (HCFMA) to "put Carnarvon on the map."

Representatives of the market, the government and Van Nood himself were at the Carnarvon farmer's market on July 31 to unveil the artwork.

"We found we had 10,000 people who went through here and they dropped \$131,000 into the pockets of the vendors, but we also knew that not many of them shopped elsewhere in Carnarvon when they were here," said Fay Martin, treasurer of the HCFMA board of directors. "And there was some indication they would be ready to do so if they knew more what was available."

In a 2014 report, the HCFMA said 42 per cent of market patrons also shopped elsewhere in Carnarvon on days they visited the farmer's market.

Martin credited Van Nood for his artwork depicting the area.

"He has a whole history of doing these locational maps, and he knows this country really well," she said. "The details he's got in there really capture us in a way."

The West Guelph-based artist created the artwork for \$3,000 plus tax, rather than the \$10,000 Martin said it was more likely worth. The local businesses featured on the map co-commissioned the artwork with the HCFMA. The county tourism department made reproductions of the map for each of the local businesses to display.

Van Nood said he worked hard to ensure the map was accurate.

"I didn't want it to be distorted and wanted it to be geographically correct," he said. "It was important that viewers of the map could instantly recognize their location, the various merchants and points of interest within the Carnarvon area."

Van Nood is an internationally-known artist who uses a variety of traditional methods as well as well-crafted computer art. He also created the logos for the Haliburton Highlands Chamber of Commerce, and the City of Kawartha Lakes.

"There was a sense that it was time that Carnarvon was more than just an



Photo by Sue Triffen

intersection," said Martin. "That is would be a place where people could go, and what they could do there."

The map will be displayed at the Carnarvon Farmer's Market on Fridays, and places to feature the map as a puzzle or notepad with pages that could be easily distributed by vendors to customers are pending.

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# BUILDING & Renos

## Planning key to successful home renos

By Sun Tung  
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For some, winter months of the year are a time to sit back and relax. But others use the relief from snow and cold to roll up their sleeves and make home improvements.

**Building patios, boat houses, screened rooms, sheds and gazebos, and simple add-ons are all popular projects come renovation season.**

**Renovation season.**  
Harry Melista, a designer at Home Hardware in Minden, said he's seen it all. Melista works with customers to help ensure spaces work on paper as well as in the imagination, and to help renovators meet up to the standards of municipal building codes.

"I'm sort of like a guide, or a designer," said Meuse. "I help with space planning and functionality."

Melissa works with customers from the beginning of a project, even visiting renovation sites to see the space being worked on when possible. He begins with a preliminary drawing, and helps get the project started.

"Every district has different codes," said McElroy.

For example, Melisse notes that Minden Hills has a restriction on how high a garage ceiling can be and that bungalows cannot have one bathroom.

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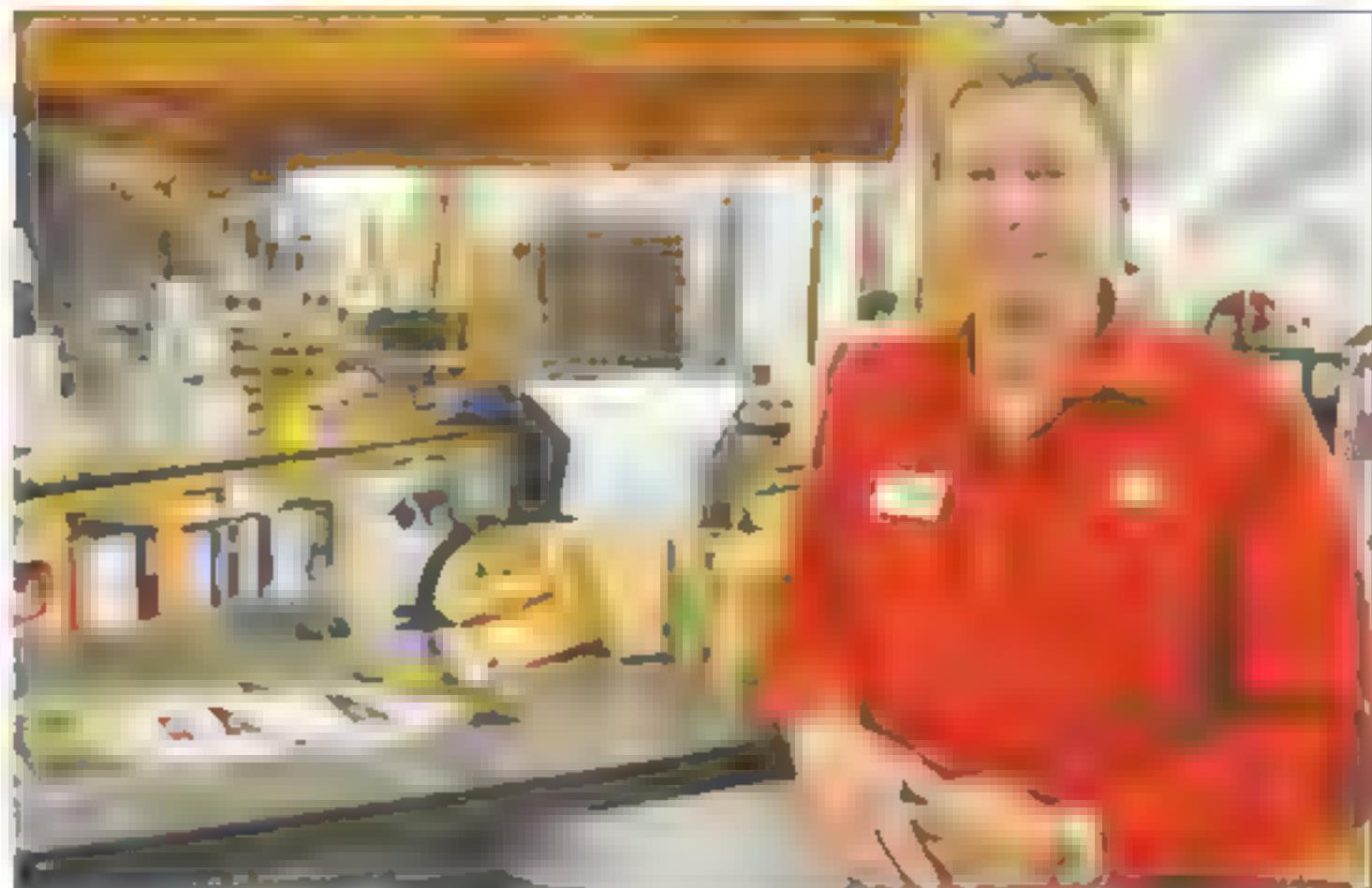


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Harry Markets encourages proper planning before getting started on your home improvement project.

require planning before materials are purchased.

"Somewhere between start and finish, I'd have people change it, change it, change it, change it," he said. "I recommended knowing what you want before you begin."

Melbeck said he also recommends renovators bring photos of the space being tested. For the renovation,

"If I can see pictures of each corner of the room, then I can better help explain what they can do, and what they can't," he said.

In terms of trends, Melrose said it's not just what people are building, but who is building it. More recently in the area he has seen an influx in baby boomers who think they're still young, healthy, energetic and creative.

on to their children and need to change the space for a change of occupancy and change of needs, or who are getting older and want more space.

He also noted more people coming to to alter their cottages into homes, whether it be through winterization or re-layout, though, ~~which~~, ~~which~~, ~~which~~.

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## Construction values on the rise

By Lisa Harrison  
Contributing writer

The Highlands are experiencing significant growth in construction in many regions this year. The growth highlights the county's increasing popularity as a prime destination for seasonal and permanent residents and dedication to continued infrastructure development.

Building permits issued and reported in Algonquin Highlands, Dysart et al., Highlands East and Minden Hills cover everything from new construction and additions to accessory buildings, decks and more.

Permit reports provided by municipalities may include industrial and commercial construction, with large numbers often reflecting months in which significant municipal and other government projects have hit the books, and may include septic inspections.

Following is an outline of issued permits and construction values for the year-to-date as reported by each municipality, along with a look back to 2014 for a full-year picture of growth in the Highlands.

Highlands East has shown significant growth year-to-date to June 30 over the same period last year according to the municipality's report. The number of building permits rose by 270 per cent to 56, while the total construction values, including applications received, reached \$3,209,033, an increase of

more than 160 per cent.

In Algonquin Highlands, a total of 77 permits had been issued by June 30, up par with the 79 issued in the same period last year. Reports of construction values for 2014 are not available by individual month before October. However, values of \$6,733,800 at June 30 this year may be generally compared to last year's total of \$6,847,000 at July 17. Totals at July 31 demonstrate a trend for growth: permits had jumped to 105 and construction values totalled \$8,137,300 year to date.

These larger totals reflect several big projects, according to David Rogers, the township's very busy chief building officer.

"One of those is our own municipal garage," said Rogers, referring to the township's new public works garage in Dorset. "We also had two very large houses."

Dysart is showing a different trend, with construction values having declined so far compared with 2014, which included municipal projects now completed. The municipality had issued more building permits by June 30 – 110 compared to 106 last year – but construction values declined by more than 28 per cent to \$11,810,500.

June figures for Dysart showed a particularly sharp diminution. The municipality issued 30 permits compared to 36 last year, but the decline in construction values was significantly greater, reflecting a drop of close to 50 per cent from \$8,404,342 to \$8,663,532.

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Minden Hills year-to-date permit numbers and dollar values were not available at press time. Figures available for June and July 2015 show a slight increase in the number of outstanding building files from 619 last month to 644 this month. The municipality reported 65 new projects and 56 completed projects over the two-month period.

In year-over-year trends, Highlands East issued 171 permits last year versus 146 in 2014. Construction values rose slightly from \$8,404,342 to \$8,663,532.

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Dysart had a strong showing last year, with construction values of \$34,751,000 on a total of 243 permits. Those figures compared favourably against 2013 totals of \$23,749,800 on 248 permits, and also topped 2012 values of \$32,566,600 on 180 permits.

Minden Hills reported that building permit numbers rose from 297 in 2013 to 302 in 2014, excluding industrial and commercial construction. Construction values for residential building dropped by more than 16 per cent to \$11,975,850 but that number was higher than the 2012 total.

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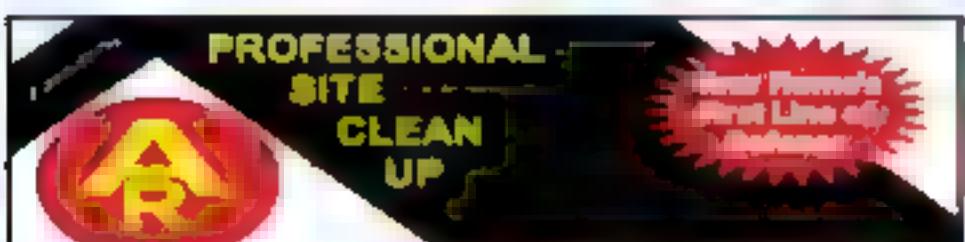
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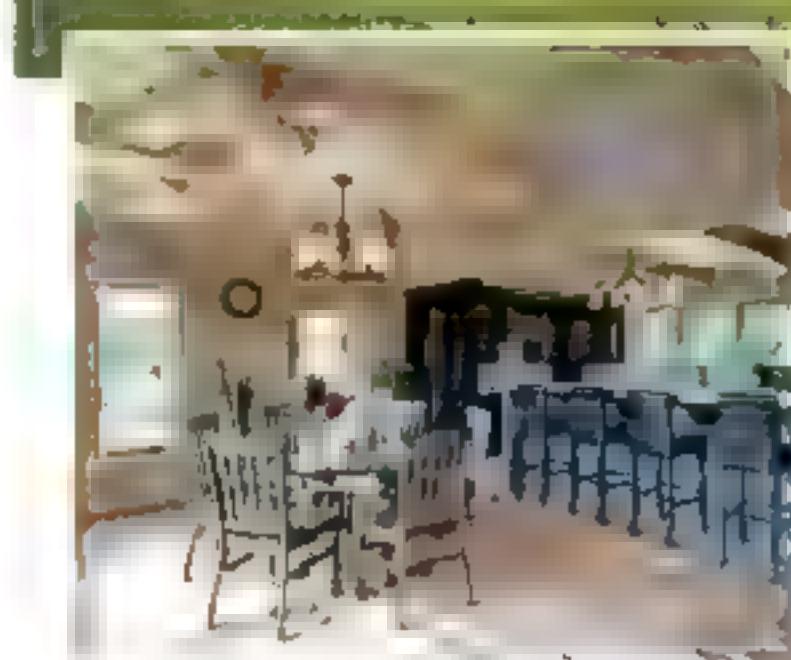
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## Permits a must-have: HCHBA

By Matthew Desrosiers  
Editor

Before you get started on that big renovation project, take a minute and call your insurance company.

"One thing we advise upon people is anyone they are looking to do a renovation, a more substantial renovation, they need to speak with their insurance broker," said Apple Tose, Haliburton County Home Builders Association (HCHBA) executive director. "It's a good start right there, because some things are not covered."

Tose said home owners could be found liable if the contractor they hire for the job is not working under all the proper contracts, or build something without a permit, and an accident happens down the road.

"You could find yourself in some major trouble, insurance-wise, if something should critically happen on a site," she said.

Once that phone call is made, the next step is to find the right contractor. A good indicator of whether or not a contractor is working above board - or following the proper rules and regulations - is if they get a permit or not.

"The permit process is not a difficult process at all," said Tose. "Every contractor knows how to do it very easily. The problem is, it has a fee to it for the municipalities. That way, the municipalities are checking on things and if they don't know it's happening, then you can't be assured that your contractor hasn't cut a corner because it's not going to be inspected."

Many contractors - though not all - who work in the so-called underground economy do not procure permits for their jobs. That way, they can charge less.

"That's not to say those working underground are not getting

permits, because I wouldn't know. But if you went into the municipality and found out how many permits are on record right now, and drove around the country, there's a few missing, I think."

Tose said if a contractor says you don't need a permit, you should immediately ask them to explain why.

"It's a hard thing to get people to pay more because we're always looking for a deal, but the fact is, you're dealing with your home and it's a huge dollar. A small renovation permit shouldn't be an issue when you're working with someone working above ground."

It's also important for home owners and contractors to agree to a written contract that includes, very clearly, all the work that needs to be done.

The HCHBA will be launching contracts for its members to attend, called Get It in Writing. The imminent写出 contracts to be very thorough in their contracts, thus protecting both themselves and their clients.

"There are all sorts of ways of wording things, but you have to have it all included and spelled out," she said. "Customers [should know] what they're getting and why they're paying what they're paying."

This is particularly important for seasonal residents who may be out of town and expecting jobs to be completed while they're away.

While using HCHBA members for these renovations is usually a safe bet - the organization requires members to follow a professional and ethical code of conduct - Tose said not all non-members are in the underground economy.

"We have a lot of non-members who are very good builders and tradespeople who have decided, for whatever reason, that this is not the association they have the resources to belong to." For more information, visit [hchba.ca](http://hchba.ca).

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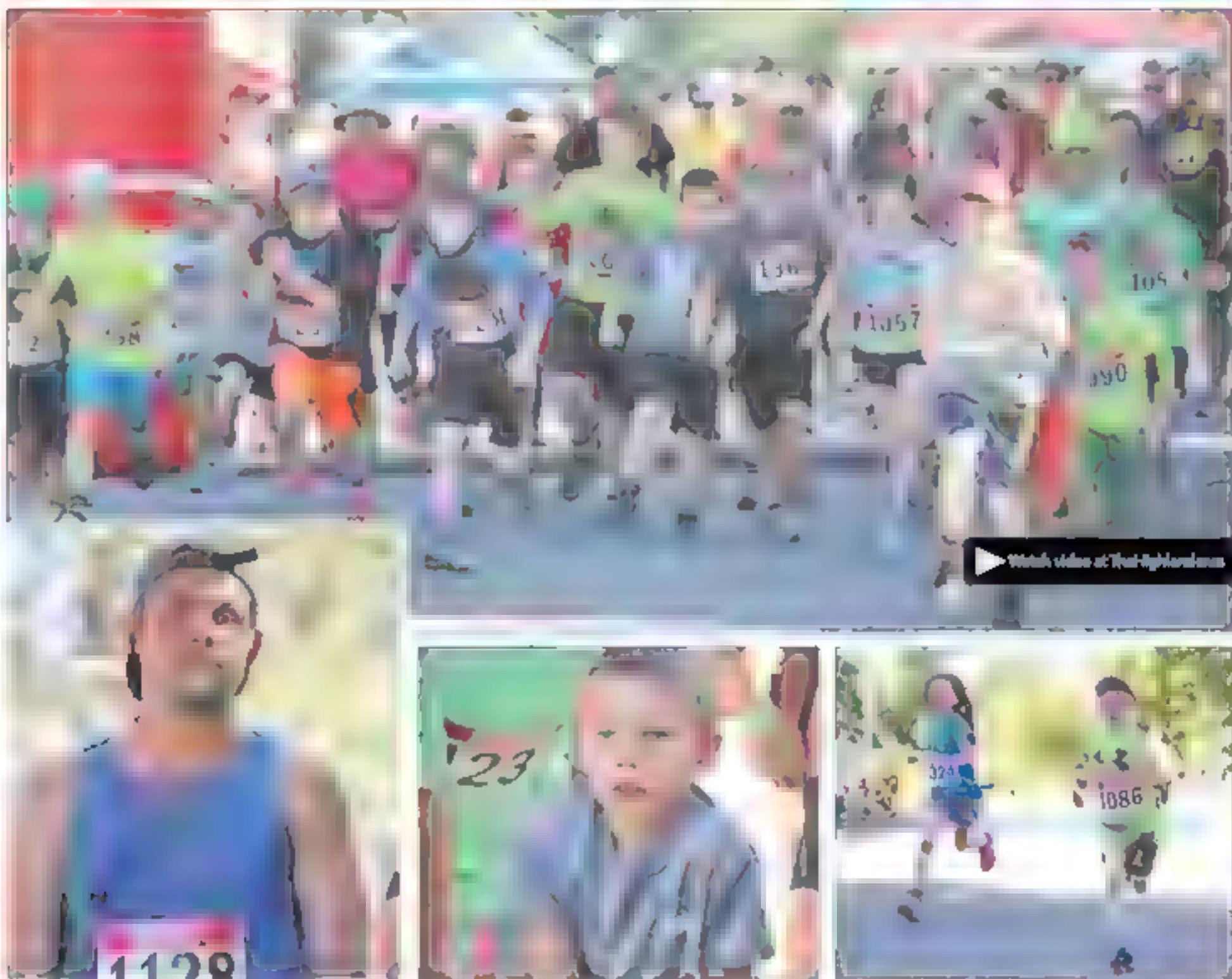
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# Highlander sports



Photos by Mark Ariss

Top: A group of kids head the way in the 2K run/walk. Left: Hugh Langley waits for the 5K run to start. The 30-year-old finished second in the race. Middle: Ali Webster 7 came in first place in the 2K run/walk with a time of 8:18. Right: Sydney Bennett, left, and Brandon Cormack approach the finish line.

## Runners embrace changes to Highland Yard

By Mark Ariss  
Staff writer

A total of 317 runners and walkers crossed the finish during the 44th annual Highland Yard in Minden on Aug. 2.

"It was an amazing day and very successful," said race director Jack Russel, adding that the number of entrants was up from last year.

Although the final total raised is yet to be confirmed, Russel believed it would be in excess of \$12,000.

Since 2012, the event has benefited Places for People (P4P), a not-for-profit corporation that provides affordable housing opportunities to "those at risk of homelessness."

Russel said the funds would replace the

organization's mortgage costs and enable them to provide "good and secure and affordable housing to those in need."

"With our successful fundraising initiatives, we are now able to proceed with purchasing a fourth building to provide additional housing to those who might otherwise be homeless," said Russel.

To date, P4P has undertaken three housing projects in Haliburton, Cameron and Minden.

This year's event included five and 10-kilometre runs, and a two-kilometre walk/run. A special entry price of \$20 for a family was offered in the shortest of the three options.

A new route was introduced to keep the bridge on Bobcaygeon Road open to traffic, especially for emergency vehicles that might

need to access the hospital.

"We have had many positive comments about the new route," he said.

The races started behind The River Come and went along Orde Street before connecting to Deep Bay Road. All participants eventually turned around and headed back the same way.

Another new highlight was a raffle for five donated items.

Once again, volunteers were key to pulling off a successful event. Russel said that 56 members of the community and Oonanaga Camp worked the water stations and were marshals along the route. Posser MacDonald piped the runners in as they finished and local group Celtic Jax provided live music along the route.

A \$400 prize was divided among the top

male and female runners in the five and 10-kilometre races.

### Top three finishers

#### 10K

1. Colton Neff
2. Cleo Boyd
3. Leo Papal

#### 5K

1. Connor Bolton
2. Hugh Langley
3. Cleo Langley

#### 2K

1. Ali Webster
2. Kayleigh Koufsi
3. Mitch Solanki

# Highlander sports



Left: Kennisis Lake cottager Mikyla Reesor works on her shooting skills during a recent basketball workout at Haliburton Highlands Secondary School. Right: Minden resident Eli Samson, 12, participates in a layup drill.



Photos by Mark Ariss

## Basketball program makes use of facilities

By Mark Ariss  
Staff writer

Cord Cochrane has two objectives: to introduce young people to the sport of basketball and ensure that the high school's gymnasium is being used year-round.

In March, the local resident and assistant coach for the Red Hawks senior boys basketball team, began discussing his ideas with Andrea Mueller, recreation program coordinator for Dynart, and Felicity Stinson, facility rental clerk for the Trent Lakelands District School Board (TLDDB).

"I saw an article in one of the local papers about Andrea Mueller talking about sports

programs and that she had been asked by two young kids about playing basketball," recalled Cochrane. "So then I called her."

Just four months later, he had basketball workouts up and running for young people between the ages of 11 and 18.

"My hope is that all of this will result in more usage. We're at a disadvantage up here in Haliburton, because this is the only facility there's here," he said.

For the past three years, Cochrane has been basketball director on the outdoor pavilion courts directly beside Haliburton Highlands Secondary School (HHSS). However, after a while this surface takes its toll on the body.

"At my age, the black top's pretty hard on the knees," he chuckled.

By the fourth, 24 different kids had taken part in the drop-in sessions.

"It's for anybody who wants to come. What we're trying to do is twofold: we're trying to help the basketball players develop better skills through practice and also encourage more interest in basketball."

Cochrane works closely with participants to develop a range of skills, including shooting, layups and passing. He usually splits the players into two groups – one being more experienced and the other being beginners.

He has also received help from retired teacher Dan Laporte and current HHSS teacher Paul Longo.

The custodians have also been very cooperative, he said.

While Cochrane is grateful for the cooperation of the school board and the municipality, he would like to see more opportunities for the public to take advantage of the facilities when they aren't being used by students.

"I would just like them (the school board) to take a look at our Haliburton situation and not lump it with others, rather try to figure out ways for (the) school facility to become more available to the public," he wrote in an email.

The free workouts are being held every Wednesday and Friday evening from 5-7 p.m. until Aug. 21.

To register for the free session contact Cochrane at 705-754-4680.

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# 151<sup>st</sup> Haliburton County Fair

## August 14 & 15, 2015

### SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

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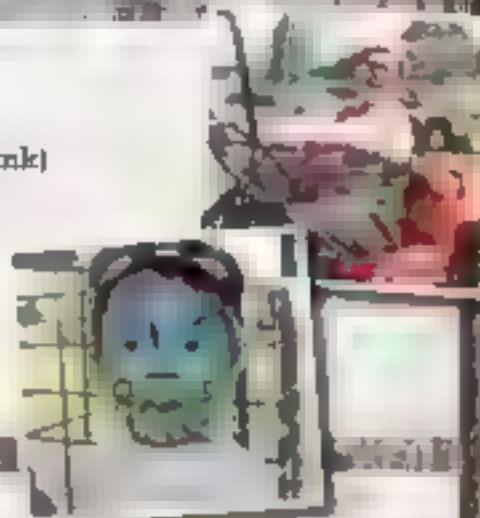
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**FRIDAY, AUGUST 14, 2015**

4pm	Fair Opens
4pm - 8pm	Exhibit Building Opens (Minden Curling Rink)
5pm	Hospitality Tent Opens
5pm - 6pm	Truck and Tractor Pull Registration
6pm	Local Grandstand Entertainment Begins
6:30pm	Mutt Show
7pm	Pony Pull Begins

**SATURDAY, AUGUST 15, 2015**

9am	Fair Opens
9am - 6pm	Vendor Booths Open
9am - 6pm	Exhibit Building Open (Minden Curling Rink)
9am - 6pm	Meet the Animals
9am	Miniature & Light Horse Show
10am - 6pm	Black Rock Climbing Wall
10am - 6pm	Obstacle Course/ Inflatable Children's Activities for all ages!
10am - 5pm	Classic Car Show
10am - 6pm	Rope Maker Hands on Demonstrations
10:30am	Free Children's Events
11am	Grandstand Entertainment Begins
Noon	Opening Ceremonies
Noon	Hospitality Tent Opens
Noon	Lawnmower Pull
Noon	Horseshoe Tournament
1pm	Sheep Show Begins
12pm - 3pm	Free Children's Events
2:30pm	Children's Stories & Crafts
3pm	50/50 and Ticket draws for Television, Tool Set or Cash!

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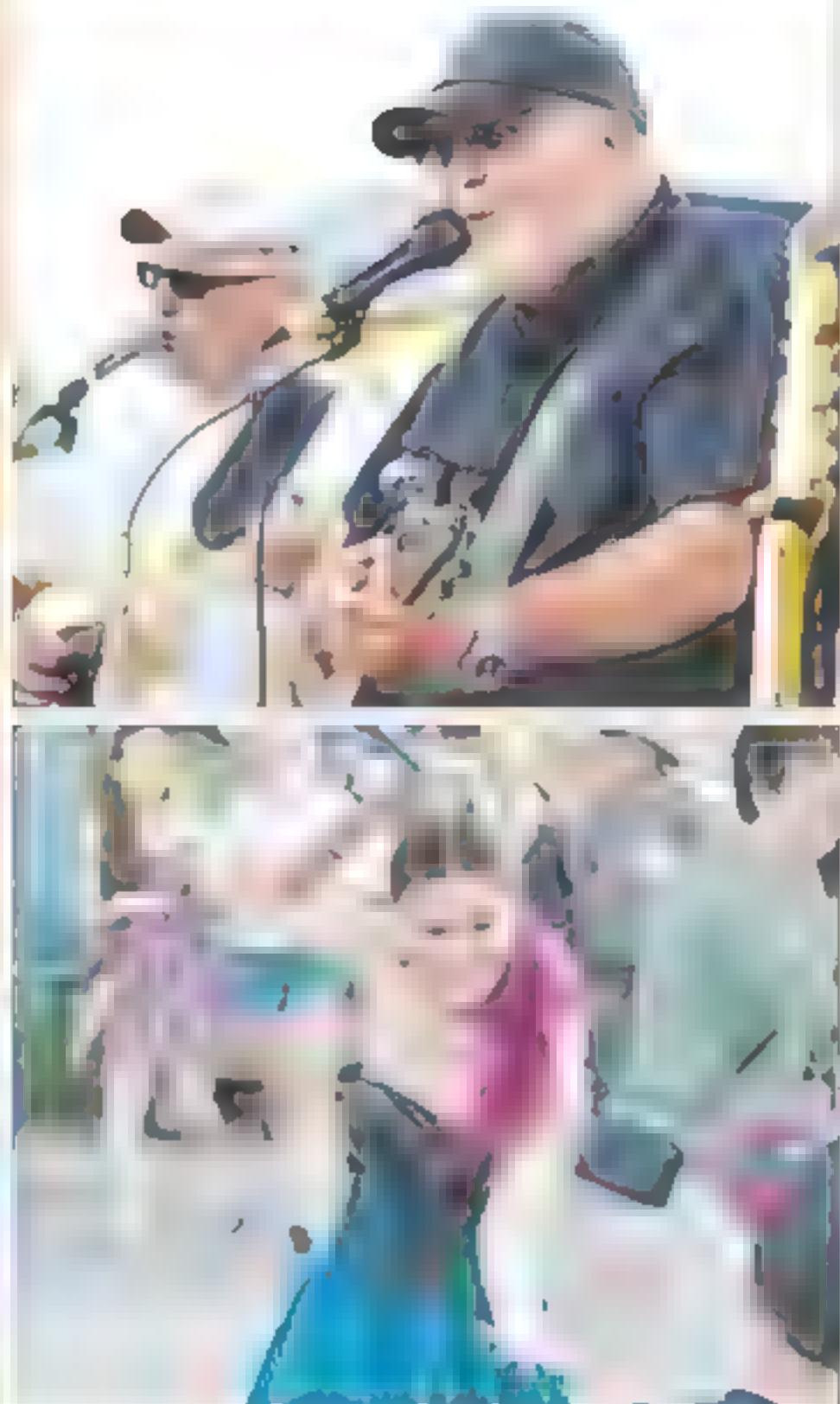


Photo by Mark Arntke

Top: Gord Kidd performs some tunes with the 50/50 Band on Highland Street. Above: Shayne Reid, assistant to Bella Magic, shows kids how to juggle.

## Music, fun and games at Midnight Madness

By Mark Arntke  
Staff writer

Downtown Haliburton was abuzz with activity on July 31 for the 34th annual Midnight Madness event.

The festivities included children's activities, a magic show, dancing demonstrations from the Highland Twirlers and live music from Gord Kidd and the 50/50 Band as well as Chad Ingram and Tim Tofflemire. Members of Slaye Cycle provided some live spinning

to the sounds of Kidd and his band near Walker's Home Hardware.

Another annual hit was beef on a bun, which was prepared and served by the Dywart volunteer fire department.

Several stores offered deals on merchandise throughout the night.

Highland Street was closed to traffic from 5 p.m. to midnight.

The event was hosted by the Haliburton Echo and the Haliburton Village Business Improvement Area.

# Highlander events



Photo by Sue Tiffin

These kids were playing around all day long during the Canning Lake Fun Day on Aug. 1

## Having a fun day on Canning Lake

By Sue Tiffin  
Staff Writer

On the morning of the annual Canning Lake Fun Day, 10-year-old Ryan Moss spent two hours boasting around the area announcing the event to anyone who caught him.

"I went around and called out to people to tell them it was fun day today to get people to come," he said. "People waved, and one person yelled back to ask when it was."

The tactic employed by Moss and fun day organizer Janice Rose worked, and more than 150 people attended the annual Aug.

1 event at Ingoldsby Park. Kids played games like water balloon toss and kickball, while adults barbecued and caught up in the shade. A packed raffle table with prizes donated by area businesses was a huge attraction for visitors at the event.

"It's a wonderful chance for the kids to meet other kids on the side, which is my primary goal," said Rose, secretary of the Canning Lake Property Owners Association. "And for the adults to meet new neighbours and new friends."

Rose said the annual event had been running for more than 40 years, but long-

time planner Lois Rugney, who Rose succeeded this year, thought the event might be older.

"It's been going on for centuries I think," said Rugney. "And I got so old after standing in the sun that I finally gave it up."

Both women attributed the clockwork operation of the event to volunteers. In the past, it was put together casually and took place down private roads and in gravel pits.

"We roasted the hot dogs and marshmallows in an open pit," said Rugney. "The open pit is now a bush, the fun day grew, the road wasn't a great place, and we

discovered Ingoldsby Park. And it's been Ingoldsby Park ever since."

"We had children that were playing the games when I was running them, they're now married with children. So that's how long we've been doing this."

Rose acknowledged Rugney's devotion to the area and the event with a speech given that day.

"I have big shoes to fill, and Lois, I want you to know, I can't fill your shoes," said Rose. "I will lace my shoes up beside yours, and I hope you will continue to lead us, together."

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[www.hhhs.ca](http://www.hhhs.ca)  
Fax: 705-457-1298

Haliburton Highlands Health Services thank all applicants; however, only those selected for an interview will be contacted. If you are contacted by HHHS regarding a job opportunity or testing, please advise if you require accommodation. Information related to the application process will be provided in accordance with the Accessibility for Ontarians with Disabilities Act.

## FOR SALE

### AUCTION SALE

**Antiques & Collectibles**  
**SATURDAY, AUGUST 15 - 10 AM**

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# Highlander classifieds

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MAPLE AVE TAP & GRILL is looking for an experienced waitress. Drop by with your resume. 120 Maple Ave. Haliburton. (TPN)

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## ANNOUNCEMENT

IS KIBBLE KILLING YOUR CAT? To find the answer go to [www.catinfo.org](http://www.catinfo.org). (AU20)

## EVENTS

FIRST AID - Standard with CPR "C" August 27 & 28 Fleming College - Haliburton Campus Call 705-457-1680 to Register (AU20)

THE COUNTRY HOT FLASHES along with their friends Dorothy Hiltzman, Peg and Gary Wiersen invite you to an evening of country gospel music at Evergreen Twelve Mile Lake Church - August 8 6:00 p.m.-8:30 p.m. Please remember your own chair. We look forward to seeing everyone there. (AU7)

## PETS

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Haliburton Feed & Farm Store Market  
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## EVENTS

HALIBURTON HIGHLANDS Service Support Group meets the third Thursday of each month at the Fireside Lounge, Highland Crest, Minden 10 a.m. to noon. Our next meeting is Thursday, July 16, 10 a.m. to noon. (TPN)

PARKINSON'S DISEASE SUPPORT GROUP Meets 2nd Wednesday of the month, 1:30-3:30 pm. Haliburton Highlands Family Health Team education room. (TPN)

## FOR SALE

### ATTENTION - DON'T MISS OUT HALIBURTON COUNTY FAIR AUCTION AUGUST 15, 2015 AT MINDEN FAIRGROUNDS

TIME: 4:00 (PRIOR TO LEROY NESBITT  
MEMORIAL HORSE PULL)  
AUCTIONEER: JASON MACINTOSH

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## FOR SALE



### FORM 6

Municipal Act, 2001

### SALE OF LAND BY PUBLIC TENDER

THE CORPORATION OF THE UNITED TOWNSHIPS OF DYSART, DUDLEY, HARSPORT, GUILDFORD, HARBURN, BRUTON, HAVELOCK, EYRE AND CLYDE  
Take Notice that tenders are invited for the purchase of the lands described below and will be received until 3:00 p.m. local time on September 8, 2015, at the Dysart et al Municipal Office, 135 Maple Avenue, Haliburton, Ontario.

The tenders will then be opened in public on the same day as soon as possible after 3:00 p.m. at the Municipal Office, 135 Maple Avenue, Haliburton.

#### Description of Lands:

Part No. 46-24-612 000-39000 0000; Ptn 39 157-01000(1); Lot 4 Block 2 Plan 1 Dysart, United Township of Dysart, Dudley, Harcourt, Guilford, Harbur, Bruton, Havelock, Eye and Clyde; File No. 14-08

Minimum Tender Amount: \$13,254.16

Part No. 46-24-030-000-40006 0000- Ptn 39 157-01000(2); Part lot 21 Concession 4 Harcourt et al H217(1) S & E of Part 4 Plan 15R 1994; Dysart et al; File No. 14-21

Minimum Tender Amount: \$6,644.00

Part No. 46-24-010-000-614-10 0000; Ptn 39 155-09002(1); Part lot 27 Concession 19 Hatkert et al H34946 SW of York River; Dysart et al Except forfeited Mining Rights; Filing; File No. 14-22

Minimum Tender Amount: \$7,734.16

Tenders must be submitted in the prescribed form and must be accompanied by a deposit in the form of a money order or a bank draft or cheque certified by a bank or trust corporation payable to the Municipality of Dysart et al and representing at least 20 percent of the tender amount.

Except as follows, the municipality makes no representation regarding the title to or any other matters relating to the lands to be sold. Responsibility for ascertaining these matters rests with the potential purchasers.

This sale is governed by the Municipal Act, 2001 and the Municipal Tax Sales Rules made under that Act. The successful purchaser will be required to pay the amount tendered plus accumulated taxes, HST if applicable and the relevant land transfer tax.

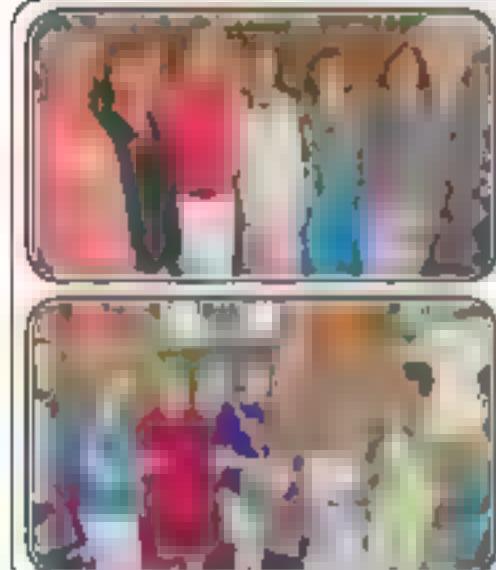
The municipality has no obligation to provide vacant possession to the successful purchaser.

For further information regarding this sale and a copy of the prescribed form of tender visit [www.dysartetal.ca](http://www.dysartetal.ca)

**Land Titles  
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# Highlander classifieds

## NOTICE



**Thank you!**  
On the occasion of my  
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I would like to sincerely thank  
my family and friends whose  
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Thank you also to Craig and his  
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*Nel van der Grient*

## NOTICE

# MINDEN HILLS

### NOTICE OF COMPLETE APPLICATION & PUBLIC MEETING 1866 CALERNO LAKE RD PROPOSED ZONING BY-LAW AMENDMENT (PLZBA2015002)

TAKE NOTICE that the Township of Minden Hills has received a complete application to amend the Township's Zoning By-law No. 08-10 pursuant to Section 34 of the Planning Act, P.G.O. 1990, Chpt. P.13, as amended. The site specific amendment applies to property municipally known as 1866 Calerno Lake Rd and being Part 1 of Plan 196-667d located in Part of Lot 31, Concession 4 in the Geographic Township of Minden (see Key Map below).

AND TAKE NOTICE that Council for The Corporation of the Township of Minden Hills will be holding a public meeting under Section 34 of the Planning Act, P.G.O. 1990, c.P.13., as amended, to inform the public of the proposed Zoning By-Law Amendment. The purpose of the public meeting is to provide the public with an opportunity to understand and comment on the proposed Amendment.

**PURPOSE AND EFFECT:** The subject property is presently zoned Shoreline Residential (SR). The purpose of the zoning by-law amendment is to change the zoning to the site specific Shoreline Residential Exception Fifty-four (SP-54) and shoreline Residential Exception Fifty-four (SP-55) zones. Recently provisional consent (File H-004-2015) was granted to sever the subject property. The application for rezoning has been submitted to meet the conditions of the provisional consent and will allow the severed and retained parcels to comply with the Township's Zoning By-Law. The effect of the amendment is to allow for a reduced lot area and frontage for the severed parcel, and to recognize the Front Yard and High Water Mark setback of the existing dwellings located on the severed and retained parcels.

#### DATE AND LOCATION OF PUBLIC MEETING - PLZBA2015002

Date: Thursday, August 27, 2015

Time: 9:00 am

Location: Municipal Council Chambers, 7 Mine Street, Minden, Ontario

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION regarding the proposed Amendment is available to the public for inspection at the Township of Minden Hills Municipal Office located at 7 Mine Street on Monday to Friday, between the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. or by calling Mr. Ian Clendering at 705-265-1250 ext.206.

ANY PERSON may attend the public meeting and/or make written or verbal representation either in support of or in opposition to the proposed Zoning By-Law Amendment.

If A PERSON OR PUBLIC BODY does not make oral submissions at a public meeting or make written submissions to the Corporation of the Township of Minden Hills before the proposed by-law is passed, the person or public body is not entitled to appeal the decision of the Corporation of Minden Hills to the Ontario Municipal Board.

If A PERSON OR PUBLIC BODY does not make oral submissions at a public meeting, or make written submissions to the Council for the Corporation of the Township of Minden Hills before the proposed by-law is passed, the person or public body may not be added as a party to the hearing of an appeal before the Ontario Municipal Board unless, in the opinion of the Board, there are reasonable grounds to do so.

If you wish to be notified of the decision of Council for the Corporation of the Township of Minden Hills in respect to the proposed amendment, you must submit a written request (with a forwarding address) to the Clerk of the Township of Minden Hills.

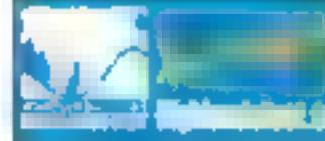
DATED this 6th day of August, 2015

Ian Clendering

Planner

7 Mine Street, P.O. Box 359  
Minden, ON, K0M 2A0  
Tel: 705-265-1250 ext. 206

#### KEY MAP PLZBA2015002



### MUNICIPALITY OF HIGHLANDS EAST CLASS ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT NOTICE OF PUBLIC CONSULTATION CENTRE EAST IRONDALE BRIDGE REPLACEMENT

The Municipality of Highlands East has initiated a Municipal Class Environmental Assessment for the replacement of the East Irondale Bridge located on Irondale Road, approximately 20m north of the Chats Lake Road. The existing single lane, one-way traffic bridge is nearing the end of its lifespan and the Municipality has commenced the planning process for its replacement in 2016.

The project is being planned under Schedule 8 of the Municipal Class Environmental Assessment Framework Plan Project, which is an approved process under the Environmental Assessment Act.

Public and agency consultation is an important component of the Environmental Assessment process. Public and agency input are invited for incorporation into the planning and design of the project. A Public Consultation Centre is being held at 104-3 Community Centre Road, Minden, Ontario, ON N0B 1L0 to facilitate consultation and to receive input and comments from interested persons.

#### PUBLIC CONSULTATION

Date: Tuesday, August 11<sup>th</sup>, 2015

Time: 4:00 pm to 6:00 pm

Location: Room 104-3 Community Centre Road,  
Minden, Ontario, ON N0B 1L0

Please note that in order to allow for the replacement of the bridge, a closure of Irondale Road is anticipated for a period of approximately 10 months commencing in July 2016.

The Public Consultation Centre will consist of a drop-in type format with displays showing the proposed replacement options. Staff from the Municipality and the project lead consultant will be on hand to answer any questions.

All information displayed will be subject to the disclosure requirements of the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act, R.R.O. 1990. With the exception of personal information, all responses will become part of the public record. We welcome any suggestions you may have about this project.

For further information or if you are unable to attend but wish to provide your views, please email or contact the following individuals:

Neil MacDonald, P. Eng.  
Project Manager  
G.O. Asset Engineering Inc.  
177 McLean Street  
Sudbury, ON, K1A 4Z9  
Phone: 613-460-1111  
Fax: 613-460-2461  
Email: nmacdonald@gov.on.ca

Beth Cawelti, CPS  
Road Department  
Municipality of Highlands East  
2048 Irondale Road  
Minden, ON  
K0B 1L0  
Phone: 705-468-2164  
Fax: 705-468-2132  
Email: bcaewelti@highlands.ca

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- D. Scrap Metal
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- F. E-Waste

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www.algonquinhIGHLANDS.ca

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www.HighlandsEast.ca

# Highlander events



## Motorists help Lions raise \$5,500

By Mark Arike  
Staff writer

The Haliburton & District Lions Club has raised \$5,500 through this year's toll bridge fundraiser. Approximately 10 volunteers with donation buckets in hand stopped motorists along Maple Avenue on Aug. 4 from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. in what is an annual tradition. The funds will support various local groups and community initiatives.

Pictured far left: Lions club volunteers Gerald Hadley and David Mills collect a donation from a motorist. Left: David Mills waves to motorists as they drive by.

John William Beatty,  
Charles William Jeffrey,  
Frederick Stanley Haines,  
Lionel Lemoine Fitzgerald,  
Dorothy Stevens, Curtis Williamson,  
Clark Paraskeva,  
George Arthur Kulmala,  
William Walker Alexander,  
Charles Goldhamer, Peter Sheppard,  
George Albert Thomson,  
Frank Charles Hennessy,  
Charles Fraser Comfort,  
Frederick Brigden,  
Edgar Dalton, Joachim Gauthier,  
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Herbert Palmer  
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## EVENT LISTINGS AUGUST 6 - AUGUST 19

## WILBERFORCE AGRICULTURAL FAIR

**FRIDAY, AUGUST 7 FROM 6-11 P.M.,  
SATURDAY, AUGUST 8 FROM 9 A.M.  
TO 10 P.M.**

## **WILBERFORCE FAIR GROUNDS**

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Cards open at 6 p.m. on Friday and 9 a.m. on Saturday. Admission Friday night is \$10. Admission Saturday is \$7 for adults and children under 16 get in free. For a complete schedule and more details visit [www.bethelFair.com](http://www.bethelFair.com) or find us on Facebook.

## HIGHLANDS EAST ART TOUR

AUGUST 29, 15-16

A quality studio tour of four arts and crafts studios under the breathtaking scenery and the quaint communities of Irondale, Gauderham, Tarry Mill, Wilkervale, Pendash and Harcourt. Stop inside each studio to view the diverse and creative works of art inspired by the beautiful lakes and hills of Lakehead East.

Mark your calendar for the memorable weekends  
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## ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATIONS AT THE WILBERFORCE RED CROSS OUTPOST HISTORIC HOUSE MUSEUM

SATURDAY, AUGUST 15 FROM 7-10 P.M.

WILBERFORCE RED CROSS OUTPOST HISTORIC HOUSE MUSEUM

Enjoy a corn and wheat roast with salsa and rice to mark the re-opening of Chippewa Pictures and celebrate 25 years of the Chippewa as a registered and listed National Historic Site of Canada.

The logo for Agnew's General Store is circular. It features a black and white photograph of a tractor in the center. The words "Everything Fresh" are written in a script font above the tractor, and "from the Farm" is written below it. The entire logo is set against a light blue background.

# What's on

**HALIBURTON OUTBOARD  
POWERBOAT RACES**

**FREE ADMISSION**

Presented by TORC

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**AUGUST 22-23, 2016**

**TORC**

## Summer Contest

**WIN:** It's time for a summer contest brought to you by The Highlander. There are almost \$300 worth of local prizes available to be won.

### TO WIN:

- 1) Like The Highlander Facebook page.
- 2) In the comments, tag the friend you would bring to the SUP and Swim session and/or the friends/family you would bring for a meal if you won. Be sure to comment on the original post on The Highlander's Facebook page to qualify.

### THE PRIZES:

**First Prize:** a SUP and Swim Session for two courtesy of SUPnorth Paddle Board Adventure. This includes an introduction to SUP session, and a mermaid swim with all equipment and an instructor. (Value: \$150)

**Second Prize:** 50 per cent off a meal for a family of 4, up to \$100.00 at Wedgewood BBC Bar

**Third Prize:** A Meditation Art Journal/adult colouring book perfect for long days at the cottage, sponsored by Meditation Art Journals by Sandra Glover Clarke

**Fourth Prize:** A journal with original photography on the cover sponsored by Evan Clarke Photography

### THE RULES:

Like the Facebook page and tag your friends by midnight on August 12. A draw will be held on August 13 and winners will be announced on The Highlander Facebook page.

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# What's on



Photo submitted by Burnie Martin

The Last Bandits will open for The Ray蒙德 Trio on Aug. 9.

## Having a party Under The Big Tent

By Matthew Desrochers  
Editor

It might be the biggest tent every pitched in Haliburton County.

From Aug. 6-10, Abbey Gardens will have a giant tent, complete with comfortable seating, erected on their property. Throughout the weekend, they will host a variety of events, seminars and concerts Under the Big Tent.

Heather Reid of Abbey Gardens said the idea to bring in the tent was first hatched last year as a partnership with the Highlands Open Studio (HOS) to host a concert there.

"We have a great big huge tent, so [it] because let's fill it for the whole time we have it here, instead of just one [concert]," she said. "That's the pinnacle event, a fundraiser for both Abbey Gardens and [HOS]."

The weekend kicks off with a showing of the movie *Frozen* on Aug. 6 at 7 p.m. On Aug. 7, from 10 a.m. to 5:30 p.m., the tent will play host to Carbon Conversations, a conference in conjunction with Trent University.

"Carbon Conversations is a series that

Trent has been doing for a number of years in Peterborough," said Reid. "So it's an opportunity for them to bring that up to Haliburton. It's a one-day conference type event with speakers from international scale to the local scale."

Then, on Aug. 8, comes the main attraction: Gala in the Gardens.

"We wanted to have something that represented pretty much all sorts of different musical genres to make it accessible to everybody," said HOS artistic director Richard Margison. "It's great music. To enjoy the power of the human voice like, it's something to marvel at."

Gala in the Gardens includes performances by Margison, a star Canadian tenor; jazz piano legend Bill King; jazz and R&B vocalist Selena Evangelina; accordion player Joseph Macerollo; members of the Canadian Open Company orchestra brass section; and members of the 2015 HOS season. Margison's daughter, Lauren, is also performing.

The concert is emceed by Kurt Hawrylo. Margison said anyone who enjoys music will appreciate the show.

"We've got things from Carousel, South Pacific, Les Misérables, there's Jazz, R&B, instrumental music ... there's something for everybody, and something everyone will enjoy," he said. "It's a feast of musical treats."

The Gala in the Gardens is the beginning of what Margison hopes is a new adventure for HOS, in partnership with Abbey Gardens. Together they have a vision of a green performing arts building constructed at the site, where the Opera studio can perform and the community can come together for other events.

"What we would like to see is a space that can be used year-round for the community, for everything from retreats to conferences, something available to the high school grads, whatever," he said. "This is a dream we've been talking about."

Proceeds from the show will be split between Abbey Gardens and the HOS.

The fun continues Under the Big Tent on Aug. 9 with a performance from the Ray蒙德 Trio, as presented by the Haliburton Folk Society.

"He's playing a mix of rock, jazz and blues, but very interesting stuff," said Barry

Martin, president of the folk society. "It's all instrumental, but it's really soulful stuff. It's totally amazing music."

Ray蒙德 first hit Haliburton's scene last fall during the folk society's Homemade Stew performance.

"When he came up, everybody's jaw dropped because his performances were amazing," Martin said.

Since then, the society has wanted to present him in concert, and now they have the chance.

The festivities wrap up at Abbey Gardens on Aug. 10, with a movie showing of *Tomorrow Land*.

Reid said Under the Big Tent is a chance for Abbey Gardens to test their capacity to host large-scale events like this.

"From my point of view, Abbey Gardens is a community gathering place and this is another way of promoting what we're doing, and the site as a place community can come together and promote different types of events," she said. "I'm really excited."

Tickets are still available for all the events. Call 705-754-4769 or visit [abbeygardens.ca](http://abbeygardens.ca) for more information.

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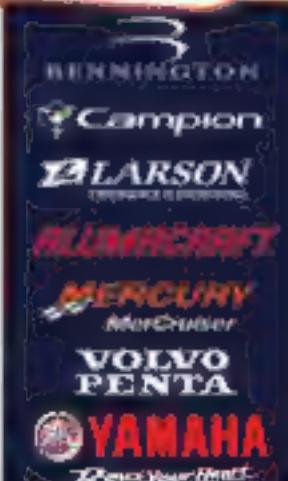
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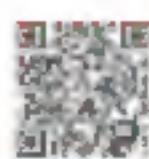
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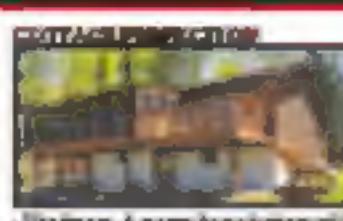
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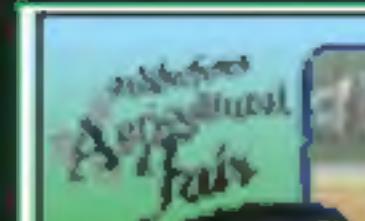
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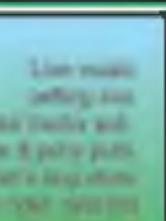
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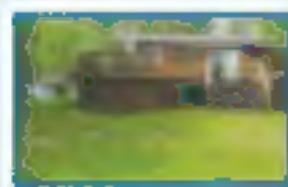
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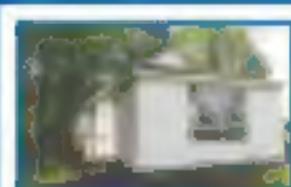
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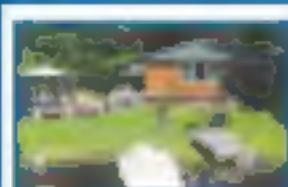
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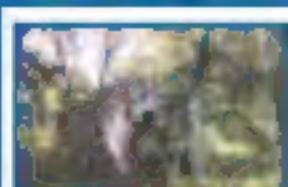
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